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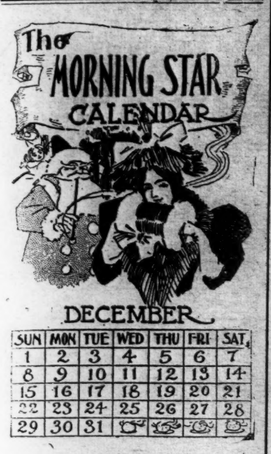

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Port Almanac—December 14.

Sun Rises	7.02 A M
Sun Sets	4.46 P M
Day's Length	9 h 44 m
High Water at Southport	5 42 P M
High Water at Wilmington	6 29 P M

The Weather.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 14.

Meteorological data for yesterday:

Temperature: 8 a. m., 31°; 8 p. m., 38°; maximum, 41°; minimum, 31°; mean 36°.

Rainfall for the day .0; rainfall for the month up to date, .60.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

For North Carolina and South Carolina, fair; northerly winds; slightly warmer.

The storm on the North Carolina coast this morning has increased in energy, and dangerous gales prevail as far north as South New England. The centre of the disturbance is now apparently east of Hatteras, and the wind reached a velocity of sixty-eight miles per hour in that vicinity to-day. The barometer has fallen rapidly from Texas northward to the Dakotas and Minnesota, and has risen in Montana and in the Southern States east of the Mississippi. It is colder in the South Atlantic States and at North Rocky Mountain stations. It is warmer from the Mississippi westward to the Rocky Mountains and in the Lake regions.

Fair weather has prevailed except along the South New England and Middle Atlantic coasts, where local snows are reported.

The weather will be warmer and fair throughout the central valleys and Southern States. Dangerous gales are likely to continue on the New England and Middle Atlantic coasts, and it is not safe for any vessel to leave port.

OUTLINES

In the North Carolina Methodist Conference, in session in Elizabeth City, N. C., vacancies on the Board of Missions and Board of Education were filled and reports and communications received. —Bradstreet reports wholesale trade dull and the Christmas trade disappointing; Birmingham, Ala., is the only Southern city that shows improvement. —— The American Red Cross Society will endeavor to relieve the starving Armenians; authorized agents to receive contributions will be published in a few days. —— A call has been issued for a meeting of the Democratic National Committe to meet in Washington January 16th, 1896, to select a place for the meeting of the Democratic National Convention and for the transaction of other business. ——It is rumored that the sailing of Admiral Bunce's squadron southward hinges on the Venezuelan controversy; British newspapers say that a visit by the squadron to any Venezuelan port would be looked upon with disfavor by Great Britain. ——Mrs. F. A. Warner, of Jacksonville, Fla., has been denied the use of the mails for conducting a fraudulent business. —— Capt. Harry Jackson, of Atlanta, died yesterday, after an operation for appendicitis. ——Reduced rates to the Atlanta Exposition have been made on all railroads south of the Ohio and east of the Mississippi rivers. —— An incendiary fire destroyed thirty-one buildings at Titusville, Fla.; two persons suspected of the crime have been arrested. —— Engineer D. M. Curlee, of Charlotte, was killed and a locomotive and twelve cars demolished by a collision on the Southern Railroad at Thicketty, S.C. —— No tidings of the whereabouts of President Cleveland and his party could be ascertained yesterday on account of the heavy gale raging over the North Carolina sounds. ——Secretary Carlisle's report will be presented to Congress Monday if the President arrives in time to hold a consultation over it before Congress meets. —N. Y. markets: Money on call was easy at 2@2½ per cent., last loan at 2, and closing offered at 2; cotton quiet—middling gulf 8 13-16c; middling 8 9-16c; Southern flour dull and steady—common to fair extra $2.10@2 80; good to choice $2.90@3.00; wheat—spot weak and fairly active; No. 2 red in store and at elevator 69½c; afloat 70⅝c; corn was dull and easier—No. 2 at elevator 84½c; afloat 85½c; spirits turpentine more active and firm at 27½@28c; rosin quiet and steady—strained common to good $1.70@1.75.

It is a grand crime in China to kill one's grandfather. A fellow who did that recently, will wish he hadn't by the time he is chopped up into "ten thousand pieces," as the law in such cases provides.

It is estimated that Americans own $20,000,000 worth of sugar plantations in Cuba, which supply some good solid reasons why these Americans at least are getting pretty tired of the protracted racket over there.

France has some mean people in it. They want President Faure to resign, and one of the reasons is that he married the daughter of a man who committed a breach of trust about forty years ago and thereby wronged a good many people. Faure knew this and knew that the daughter had been made penniless by the dishonesty and financial failure of her father, who was in good circumstances, but like a true man he married her, a fact which ought to raise him in the esteem of true men.

Some of the overzealous preachers of this country who want to quash Bob Ingersoll, are innocently engaged in doing some pretty large free advertising for him. Sometime ago they organized big prayer-meetings for his conversion and more recently when he was advertised to lecture in Hoboken, they sent around and requested that the big pictures of him in some of the store windows be removed. That kind of advertising isn't costing Bob a cent.

Having failed to marry off Senator Hill the newspaper men have turned their attention to ex-President Harrison, whom they have caught putting some more furniture, &c., in his house, and take it for granted that he contemplates marriage, the lady in question being Mrs. Dimmock, a niece of the late Mrs. Harrison. A cheeky reporter asked him about it about it but he declined to be put upon the witness stand.

The President of the Illinois Banking Association offers a prize for the best essay written by a bank clerk, telling how a bank clerk may become a banker. Easy as falling off a log. All the bank clerk has to do is to save his money until he gets a hundred thousand or thereabouts, hire a room, paint a sign and start in business.

Senator Wickham has introduced a bill in the Virginia Legislature making the owner of a dog pecuniarily responsible for any damage done to sheep by the dog. If Senator Wickham gets that bill through he will be entitled to a chromo, as the man who did the seemingly impossible, judging from the usual fate of such bills in Legislatures.

Some Japanese denizens of Chicago have organized a club to teach the world that the proper name for Japan is not Japan, but Nippon. The world has become so accustomed to Japan that it will take it a powerful long time to nip on to Nippon.

Senator Cameron, who announces that he will not run again, gives as a reason that he can serve his people out of the Senate better than in it. There are a good many Senators of whom this might be said with equal or more truthfulness.

Herr Dowe, the Manheim tailor who invented the bullet proof jacket, died the other day. His jacket made him temporarily famous but was not enough of a success as a bullet stopper to do more.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FOR SALE—Farming lands.
JAS D NUTT—Holiday goods.
WM. GOODMAN—$5.00 reward.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS

Pertinent Paragraphs Pertaining Principally to People and Pointedly Printed.

— Mr. E. G. Chalkley, of Atlanta, is a guest at The Purcell.

— Mr. J. P. Daves, of Atlanta, Ga., is stopping at The Purcell.

— Chief of Police Melton, who has been on the sick list, was out yesterday.

— Mr. J. O. Raff, of Newburgh, N. Y., was registered at The Purcell yesterday.

— Mr. S. F. Burbank, of Washington, N. C., is in the city, registered at The Purcell.

— Mr. H. A. Latham, of the Washington (N. C) *Gazette*, is in the city on a business trip.

— Mr. Chas. R. Love left yesterday for Georgia, where he expects to engage in the turpentine business.

— Mr. John H. Gore, Jr., son of Mr. D. L. Gore, of this city, will be one of the speakers at Wake Forest Commencement.

— Messrs. W. T. McKay, Cheraw; F. T. Mills, Whiteville; J. H. Lewis, Hamlet, were among the visitors in the city yesterday.

— Postmaster E. H. Wilson, of Winston, N. C., accompanied by Mr. A. B. Guyton, passed through the city yesterday on the way to Sloop Point, where they will hunt for a few days.

— The arrivals at The Orton yesterday were: Messrs. W O Chichester, New York; A B Guyton, E H Wilson, Winston; N J Linahan, Rochester; C L Stevens, Southport; Jos Girand, New York; H A Latham, Washington; A J Galloway, Goldsboro: B F Rogers, Concord; W T Bishop, Cleveland; S S Robinson, E Weil, W Nengass, New York; S H Shutz, Philadelphia; R L Sledge, Baltimore.

If there is anything you want, advertise for it. Is there anything you don't want? Advertise it in the Business Locals of the STAR. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for ess than 20 cents. tf

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THE MORNING STAR, THE OLDEST DAILY NEWSPAPER IN NORTH CAROLINA.

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LOCAL DOTS

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There and Briefly Noted.

— Rev. R. E. Peele will speak to men only at the Y. M. C. A. Sunday afternoon at 4 45 o'clock.

— The local forecast is for fair weather, probably for the next two or three days; colder to-day; brisk northerly winds.

— The stage of water in the river at Fayetteville Thursday at 8 a. m. was 13 9 feet; a rise of two and a half feet in the previous 24 hours.

— A false alarm of fire was turned in yesterday morning about 8 o'clock. It came from box No. 47, corner of Third and Wooster streets.

— The *Review* celebrated its 19th anniversary yesterday. An oyster roast, &c, &c., was high up on the programme. "May you live long and prosper."

— Bob Ussery, who killed Oliver Capel in Richmond county, has been convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary.

— The minimum temperature yesterday in the early morning was 31 degrees; the indication last night was that the mercury would drop to about 20 degrees this morning.

— With the exceptions of the Young People's meeting, which will commence at 10 o'clock a. m., and the Sunday School at 3.30 p. m., there will be no services at Grace M. E. Church to-morrow.

— Gen. Marcus J. Wright will leave for Washington, D. C., this morning by train on the A. C. L. His visit here was a great pleasure to Confederate veterans who called upon him yesterday and were most cordially received.

— Some flower fancier became enamored of a very fine Marechal Neil rose bush in the yard of one of Mr. Wm. Goodman's houses, on Sixth street, and stole it. Now Mr. Goodman is mad, and he will pay a reward of five dollars for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the thief.

— A most remarkable versatility of the higher moods is required to portray the part of *Marie Deloche* in "The Queen of Liars," the new play in which Minnie Maddern Fiske comes to this city with the highest approval of the best critics in the cities in which she has appeared this season.

— In another column in this issue of the STAR will be found an interesting article on the late Alexander Collie, in which reference is made to his brother William as a former resident of Wilmington. Mr. M. Cronly, Sr., informs the STAR that William Collie lived in the house now owned and occupied by Col. George Harriss. It was owned when Mr. Collie occupied it by the late Joshua G. Wright.

At the Opera House.

A large audience greeted Miss Mabel Paige and her excellent company last night in the musical comedy "The Spanish Romance." Miss Paige as *Labitta*, was the attraction of the evening and by her bright and sparkling manner won a warm place in the hearts of theatre-goers. Mr. Oscar P. Sisson as *Beppo*, ably sustained his role. Miss Ogden as *Mildred St. Armstrong*, an American girl, was charming, and Mr. E. H. O'Connor, an ideal *Jack Calverton*. The company as a whole is excellent. Several specialties were introduced and kept the audience in a roar of laughter.

The company will give a matinee this afternoon at 2 30 o'clock. Seats for the performance are on sale at Yates' bookstore.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington & Weldon R. R.—227 bales cotton, 14 casks spirits turpentine, 55 bbls rosin.

Wilmington, Columbia & Augusta R. R.—191 bales cotton, 28 casks spirits turpentine, 93 bbls rosin, 71 bbls tar, 44 bbls crude turpentine.

Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R.—133 bales cotton, 57 casks spirits turpentine, 230 bbls rosin, 16 bbls tar.

Wilmington, Newbern & Norfolk R. R.—560 bales cotton, 8 casks spirits turpentine.

Steamer D. Murchison—2 bales cotton, 84 casks spirits turpentine, 380 bbls rosin, 14 bbls tar, 1 bbl crude turpentine.

Steamer Lisbon—1 bale cotton, 5 bbls tar.

Flats—2 bales cotton, 75 bbls rosin, 2 bbls crude turpentine.

Total receipts—Cotton, 1,116 bales; spirits turpentine, 136 casks; rosin, 699 bbls; tar, 209 bbls; crude turpentine, 44 bbls.

Magistrate's Court.

Monroe Toomer, colored, charged with disorderly conduct and resisting police officer Frank Toomer, colored, last Saturday night, had a hearing before Justice Bunting yesterday. He was adjudged guilty in both cases and committed to jail in default of a bond of $50 to await the action of the Criminal Court.

The investigation of the case of Alfred Robinson, colored, charged with felonious assault, appointed for yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, was again continued until to-day.

Cotton Notes.

Receipts of cotton here yesterday, 1,116 bales; same day last year, 2,196. Receipts for the week ended December 13th, 14,200 bales; same time last year, 24,183. Receipts for the crop year to date, 138,581, against 174,393 for same time last year. Stock at this port 23,980 bales; last year at same date, 36,980.

New York futures closed two points below closing prices Thursday, on a narrow scalping market.

— Mr. J. F. Raff, formerly of this city but now of Newburgh, N. Y., is here on a visit to friends.

CAPITAL CITY NEWS.

THE LAW AS TO ESTABLISHING ELECTION PRECINCTS.

Clerks of the Superior Court Advised to Attend to the Matter Without Delay—Federal Court Adjourned—Only Criminal Cases Tried—The Bradley Bequest to the Oxford Orphan Asylum—Lyda, the Recaptured Convict, Returned to the Penitentiary.

[*Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH N. C., Dec. 13.

The Federal Court adjourned this morning after thirteen days continuous session. None but criminal cases were tried, all of the civil cases having been postponed until the special term in January. Two prisoners were sentenced to eighteen months each in the Brooklyn (N. Y.) penitentiary. They were also fined $1,000. Jap Johnson, the outlaw, was sentenced to six months imprisonment and fined $1,000. Many prisoners were given short terms in jail and fined. Many cases have been disposed of.

Dean Bradley has completed his meeting and left for New York to-day.

Mr. F. H. Busbee has gone to California on legal business connected with the Bradley bequest to the Oxford Orphan Asylum of several thousand dollars.

There has been a good deal of friction and misunderstanding relative to the establishment of election precincts as required by an act of the last Legislature, and the *Caucasian* in its current issue presents views taken by ex-Judge Spier Whitaker, which were coincided with by members of the Supreme Court and others as to the intent of the act. The clerks of the Superior Court, who have the matter of locating the precincts, seem to be non-plussed, as very few agree as to the meaning of the law. The matter is one which affects the entire voting population of North Carolina. These places of election must be established by the clerk of the court by the 8th of March, 1896, one year from the ratification of the act of the General Assembly.

Judge Whitaker and the other lawyers in elucidating the law, state that there should not be more than 850 electors in each precinct; that clerks should not be guided by voting books but by registration books.

In establishing voting precincts, subdivisions of counties into towaships, cities, villages, wards, &c, must be considered. In other words, boundary lines of wards and precincts cannot be disregarded. If there are 450 voters in one ward and 250 in another, a part of the 450 voters cannot be added to the 250 voters. The 250 voters remain, but the 450 voters are divided in two precincts.

Clerks are advised to attend to this matter without further delay, so as to prevent undue haste and confusion.

Lyda, the escaped convict who shot State officer Perry while a posse was attempting to capture him, at his house in Henderson county, has been brought to the penitentiary by Mr. Corpening, one of the gentlemen who helped arrest him. Lyda was sentenced to ten years for manslaughter and served two. He is a most desperate character. He openly boasted that he had lived on his farm two years and made crops each year, yet he defied the sheriff to take him. He worked in the field with his Winchester on his shoulder.

POVERTY PARTY.

Given For Charity's Sake Last Night at the Parish House of St. James' Church.

Quite a pleasant entertainment was given last night at the Parish house of St. James' Church, under the auspices of the ladies of St. Agnes Guild. It was their annual entertainment to raise funds for charity, and in addition to the festival a "Poverty Party" was held, participated in by a large number of the children and young folks of the church.

At 8 o'clock the Poverty Party entered, singing appropriate songs and dressed in all imaginable costumes; some with "one gallus," some with only one shoe, and others in respectable rags, representing little poverty-stricken bread-winners who can be seen in any of the large cities. Prominent among the laughable and well impersonated characters could be seen the old fiddler and his ragged grand-daughter, old apple women, bootblacks, newsboys, doughnut men and flower girls. After the grand entrance, which was singularly amusing, the old fiddler and granddaughter sung "Sweet Alice, Ben Bolt," very prettily. The organ-grinder, with his inimitable (human) monkey, caused much fun and laughter for the young folks.

Those taking part then disposed of fancy goods and refreshments, realizing a handsome sum for charity.

The entertainment was very creditable and the proceeds will be donated by the Guild to some one of the worthy objects which they are constantly working for.

MISS SCHWARZ MARRIED.

Miss Minnie Schwarz, Formerly of Wilmington, Married in Savannah.

The following from the Savannah *News* will be read with interest in Wilmington:

"Mr. Samuel F. Smith and Miss Minnie Schwarz were married last night at 8 o'clock, at the residence of the bride's father, Capt. C. Schwarz, No. 88 Huntingdon street. The wedding was a quiet home affair, only the near relatives of the families being present. Rev. Dr. W. C. Schaeffer, of the Lutheran church, performed the ceremony.

The groom is a popular young business man connected with the Hoyle Grocery Company. He was a former resident of Palatka, Fla.

The bride is an accomplished young lady, well known in musical circles, in which she has frequently delighted select audiences by her exceptionally fine singing. She formerly lived with her family in Wilmington, N. C, where her popularity is demonstrated by the many handsome bridal presents received from friends in that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith left last night for Atlanta to visit the Exposition.

Housekeepers who want servants are in the habit of supplying their needs from the STAR'S want column. Are you looking for a situation? The STAR'S want column will bring you the best results. One cent a word. But no ad. taken for less than 20 cents tf

ALEXANDER COLLIE.

END OF A ONCE WELL KNOWN BLOCKADE RUNNING KING.

His Activity During the War—Well Known in Wilmington, Where His Brother Resided—Highly Interesting Reminiscences of a Local Nature.

The death of Alexander Collie, briefly referred to in the telegraphic department of the STAR yesterday, revived a feeling of interest among our older citizens in a remarkable man. The following fuller account from a Washington special to the Richmond *Dispatch* will be read with interest:

About two weeks ago there died in New York city, in obscurity, the famous Confederate blockade running king, Alexander Collie, of Manchester and London, Eng., though, as his name indicates, he was a genuine Scotchman. In the former city there still remains an immense warehouse, on the front of which is chiseled on a large granite block the name of the celebrated firm, "Alexander Collie & Co."

For nearly twenty-five years Alexander Collie had been a fugitive, and had concealed his identity under the name of George McNeil, which he took from the maternal branch of his family. He was only known to a few New York people, who respected his desire to remain unknown, and but for an accident he would have been buried in potter's field. He was discovered, however, on his deathbed by the son of a Confederate officer, whose friend Alexander Collie had been, and was given decent interment.

During the civil war Wilmington, N. C, was noted for its blockade runners, and famous Fort Fisher, commanded by Colonel William Lamb, of Norfolk, Va., was the favorite gateway into the Cape Fear river. Among the English houses who were engaged in blockade running, and the one that owned by far the largest fleet of splendid boats, was that of Alexander Collie & Co., the reputation and high commercial standing of whom were world wide. Their steamers were of the finest, each subsequent one surpassing the former in size, speed and general adaptability for the purpose of eluding United States cruisers.

NAVAL HEROES.

They engaged the services of the best naval officers that could be obtained. Among them was Hewitt, a Victoria Cross man, who afterwards commanded the Queen's yacht, was Ambassador to Abyssinia and died recently an admiral in the navy; Murray, who was most successful and fearless, whose real name was Murray Aynsley, and who, after rapid promotions, is now a retired admiral; Burgoyne, who unfortunately was lost while in command of the British iron-clad Captain, some years ago, in the Bay of Biscay; and Roberts, who was a second son of the Earl of Buckinghamshire, and who died a few years ago as "Hobart Pasha," in command of the Turkish navy. These were the class of officers in the service of this immensely wealthy firm.

PALATIAL HOME.

Alexander Collie's home in England was one of princely hospitality, especially to the officials and friends of the Confederacy, and he often had as his guests ex-United States Senator J. M. Mason, the Confederate Commissioner to England, and Mr. Slidell, Commissioner to France.

In Wilmington, the firm leased one of the most elegant Southern homes, and a brother, William Collie, who resided there at the time, dispensed with lavish hands a like hospitality.

Many of the steamers of the firm were saved by the guns of Fort Fisher; and in some cases, where the vessels were lost, as in the case of the Venus, Condor and others, the cargoes were saved by the garrison of that fort.

TIMELY GENEROSITY.

When Fort Fisher fell (the 15th of January, 1865) at the second attack of the Federals (the first under Butler and Porter having failed), its Confederate commander was desperately wounded, and supposed to be dying. After the general surrender he was removed to the North where he received from an anonymous source, through a New York banking house, a credit of £100, with the information that when that was used a draft for any needed amount would be honored. This conduct on the part of Alexander Collie—for it was from him the funds came—to an officer whom he had a right to suppose could not again assist him, was a marked characteristic of himself and family, for among the generous acts of the brother in Wilmington were many gifts to the poor and needy wives and children of absent soldiers.

The further assistance tendered by Collie was not needed by Colonel Lamb, because he was surrounded by friends and was at the luxurious home of his father-in-law; but when he was able to return to his Southern home at Norfolk, Collie, finding it out, persuaded him to go into business, and sent him ship after ship through friends, which laid the foundation of the direct trade which Norfolk now enjoys with Europe.

A HEAVY FAILURE.

Following their successful speculations during the war, Alexander Collie & Co. went into the cotton and cotton goods trade, establishing branch houses in many of the leading commercial centres of the world, including Egypt, India, Australia, South America and this country, and in an effort to "corner" cotton goods in the markets of the world—somewhere in the later sixties or early seventies—he made the largest failure known in the history of commerce. His liabilities above his available assets were £40,000,000, equivalent to $200,000,000.

One Cent a Word.

Hereafter advertisements to go in our "Business Locals" department will be charged one cent per word for each insertion; but no advertisement, however short, will be taken for less than 20 cents.

This is a reduction from former rates and it is also a convenience to advertisers, who can calculate the exact cost of their advertisements, which must be paid for always in advance.

Kicked by a Horse.

Mr. Wm. Hubn, a driver for the Standard Oil Company, was kicked by a horse yesterday morning while harnessing his team, and so severely hurt that he had to be carried to his home on South Sixth street, where he was compelled to take to his bed and summon a physician to attend him.

Encyclopedia Britannica.

The STAR Britannica Department is still filling orders for the Encyclopedia Britannica. This is the latest and best edition of this great work. Issued in 25 volumes, bound in cloth or sheep. For full particulars read announcement on third page, or inquire at the STAR office

APPOINTMENTS

for Visitations by the Bishop of East Carolina.

Dec. 15th—3rd Sunday in Advent—M P—Beaufort county, Zion church.

Dec 15th—3rd Sunday in Advent—E P—Washington, S Peter's.

Dec 17th — Tuesday — Chocowinity Beaufort county, Trinity Chapel.

Dec 19th—Thursday—E P—Hamilton, S Martin's.

Dec 22nd—Fourth Sunday in Advent—Gatesville, S Mary's.

Dec 25th — Christmas Day—Gates county, S Peter's.

Dec 26th—Thursday, Festival S Stephen—E P—Murfreesboro, S Barnabas.

Dec 29th—Sunday after Christmas—M P—Roxobel, S Mark's.

Dec 29th—Sunday after Christmas—E P—Woodville, Bertie county, Grace church.

Dec 31st—Tuesday—Windsor, S Thomas'.

Jan 1st, 1896—Wednesday—Festival of the Circumcision—E P—Plymouth, Grace Church.

Jan 3d—Friday—Williamston—Church of the Advent.

M P—Morning Prayer. E P—Evening Prayer.

Holy Communion at all morning services.

The children catechized when practicable.

The Vestries will pleased be prepared to meet the Bishop.

Offerings to be for Diocesan Missions.

The Churches.

Rev. James B. Bailey will preach at Fifth Stree Methodist Episcopal Church on to-morrow.

Chapel of the Good Shepard, Sixth and Queen streets. There will be the usual services on Sunday at 11 a m and 8 p m.

South Side Baptist Church, corner Fifth and Wooster streets; Rev. J. B Harrell, Pastor. Services Sunday at 11 a. m, 7.30 p. m. Sunday School at 2.30 p m. Church Prayer Meeting Wednesday night at 7.30.

St Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church corner of Market and Sixth streets, Rev. K. Boldt pastor. Third Sunday in Advent: English service at 11 a. German service at 7.00 p m Sunday School at 3 p m. Meeting of the Christian Associati n at 4 30 p m.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

$5.00 Reward.

The above reward will be paid for any information leading to the arrest and conviction of the party who stole a Marechal Neil Rose Bush from my premises on Sixth street, between Princess and Chesnut.

dec 14 3t WM. GOODMAN.

Do You Appreciate Things

That are sweet and clean? Then buy your Candies and Fruits At MORRISON'S, dec 10 tf 103 Market St.

OPERA HOUSE,

Charming Little

MABEL PAICE.

GRAND FAMILY MATINEE this afternoon at 2.30. Bring the little ones to see the very funny comedy, "A MILK PUNCH." Last appearance to-night in "THE RUNAWAY GIRL." Matinee Prices—Children 15 cents; Adults 25 cts. dec 14 1t

On Tuesday, Dec. 17th,

I WILL OPEN FOR INSPECTION MY SELECTION OF **HOLIDAY GOODS.**

These goods were selected with great care, and as there are no goods in this market like them it will be well worth your inspection.

JAMES D. NUTT, dec 14 tf THE DRUGGIST.

For Sale,

2,600 ACRES LAND,

WELL ADAPTED FOR

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situate about ten miles from Chadbourn, N. C., and about one mile from the Wilmington & Conway Railroad.

Possession given at once. Terms reasonable. Apply to

12 Market Street, dec 14 tf Wilmington, N. C.

A Comfortable Shoe

Is a happy combination of fine leather, superiority in manufacture and a perfect fit. You can't be easy unless your feet are. Our "Old Gents' comfort's Shoe" at $3.00 will make you easy and comfortable.

Our Pointed Toe Lace Shoes at $2.50 and $3.00 will give you both style and comfort. Don't fail to see our new "HEALTH AND COMFORT" SHOE with a felt innersole. Try one pair and you'll wear no other.

Geo. R. French & Sons. nov 17 tf

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—FOR—

Beeswax.

If you have some to sell, ship it to us, and we will allow you

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For it in Boston, and no charge for commission or carting. References all through the South if required.

W. H. BOWDLEAR & CO., Boston, Mass. ov 16 3 m Office and Warehouse 36 Central Wharf

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

GREAT CLEARING SALE

OUR ENTIRE STOCK,

Comprising a Fine Line of

Millinery

—AND—

Fancy Goods,

DryGoods

—AND—

Notions.

CLOAKS,

Capes, Toys and Holiday

Novelties Must Be Sold.

Our reason being that we intend to continue in

Millinery Exclusively,

so shall give our patrons a chance to buy new and desirable goods at COST FOR CASH ONLY.

Don't miss this chance as goods were never before sold at such prices.

TAYLOR'S BAZAAR,

118 Market St., dec 18 tf Wilmington, N. C.

For the First Fifteen

Days of December we propose to offer some bargains in

Oil Heaters,

Wood and Coal Heaters,

COAL VASES,

Portable Grates, Shovels and Tongs.

A few of those

Stand and Library Lamps

left to be sacrificed.

Feather Dusters 35c and downward.

Counter Brushes 40c and downward,

Scrubbing Brushes 10c and upward.

Shoe Brushes 10c and upward.

Horse Brushes, Curry Combs, Whitewash Brushes, Bird Cages slightly shop worn at cost.

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August and September

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Get our prices before buying.

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3,000 Pounds Candy.
3,000 Pounds Fancy and Plain Candy.
4,000 C. C. Nuts.
75 Boxes Raisins.
1,000 Pounds Mixed Nuts.
200 Boxes Cakes.
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No. 9 North Front St., nov 24 tf

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 14, 1895

WARNING AGAINST OVER-CONFIDENCE.

Chairman Carter, of the Republican National Committee, is not a rainbow chaser and does not believe that his party has a dead sure thing on electing the next President, but does believe that the Democrats have a good fighting chance, even if the outlook now may not be of roseate hue. At the last meeting of the committee the Colonel made a talk in which he took occasion to warn his friends against feeling too confident and reminded them that there was "many a slip between the cup and the lip."

As matters now stand they may assume that the chances are in favor of the Republicans, but events crowd on the heels of each other very rapidly sometimes and possibly they may crowd in such a way within the next year as to put the Republican party in a position as embarrassing as the outlook for it has been encouraging since the recent elections. It is now in a position where it will be compelled by force of circumstances to show its hand and assume a certain amount of responsibility for things done or left undone, and however anxious the leaders may be to play the role of masterly inactivity this may not be altogether practicable, for the President is in a position to make Congress show its hand and assume or refuse to assume responsibility for measures proposed, either of which may prove very embarrassing.

There are two issues now before the people—the financial and our foreign policy. The former the Republicans have been anxious to dodge, while they have demanded that the latter be "vigorous" and assertive. They have scored Mr. Cleveland unmercifully because it has not been vigorous and assertive enough to come up to their standard, going so far as to accuse him of a lack of robust Americanism. They are now in a position where Mr. Cleveland can make them face the music and assert in unequivocal language that vigorous policy or crawfish and confess that they were talking for politics and for buncombe. They now have an opportunity to do some tail twisting that they censured the President for not doing, or forever hold their peace. They will probably wish before they are done with it that they had said less about a vigorous foreign policy, especially since the Venezuelan question has assumed a somewhat acute stage, made decidedly acute by the positive language used in the last note from this Government to the British Government, in which the "demand" was made that the British Government submit the whole matter in dispute to arbitration. In the event the British Government decline to do this all that is left for this Government to do is to insist or retract the demand, the former of which may mean war, the latter humiliation and the responsibility for either of which will rest upon Congress, whose instructions the President will await. War is a very serious matter at all times, but especially with a great naval power when our coast cities are as poorly protected as they are against attack by the formidable floating fortresses that could be sent against them. And so would self-confessed humiliation be a very serious matter for the dominant party in Congress. But if England refuses to arbitrate as "demanded," either of these will be the alternative presented to Congress. Neither the American people nor the English people desire war, but the drift of events may be such that it may not be avoided, and then we may have a practical and a costly illustration of this "vigorous foreign policy" and tail twisting, which began in buncombe and ended in powder burning.

There is one feature of the financial question to which Col. Carter alluded in his speech which is suggestive and may have caused some of those whom he addressed to put on their thinking caps. Calling attention to the fact that the President had injected a new feature into the financial question, on which the parties were already pretty considerably divided, by recommending the retiring of the credit or paper money of the Government, he said that possibly "the financial centers" might agree with the President on that. Heretofore the Republican leaders have been playing for the support of and catering to the "financial centers" and have nearly always succeeded in scuring it. Now the Republicans in Congress must either play second part to the President or possibly antagonize these financial centers by antagonizing the President in opposing the retiring of the greenbacks. If they agree to retire them and issue a corresponding amount of interest bearing bonds, they will be giving the President a big endorsement and at the same time antagonize the sentiment of a number of Western States which is opposed to retiring the greenbacks or issuing bonds, which would be putting themselves to some extent, as the phrase goes, "between the devil and the deep sea." They need the financial centers and those Western States also, for they can't get along without either and score a success in the next Presidential election. They need the votes of all and the money of the financial centers.

The relegation of the greenbacks is the logical sequence of the "sound money" doctrine, and it is not easy to see how the Republican "sound money" men can consistenly refuse to retire them when they take the position that the only good and true money is gold, and that is what their sound moneyism means if it means anything. But it will be dangerous to retire them and for them it may be equally dangerous to refuse to do so.

This is the predicament in which the President has placed them, a predicament which Col. Carter thinks it will require no ordinary amount of good judgment and skilful management to get out of without serious injury. They can't get out of it by playing the game of 'masterly inactivity," for circumstances may not permit them to play that.

MINOR MENTION.

Representative Grow, of Pennsylvania has achieved the distinction of presenting the first proposition providing for the retiring of the greenbacks, which does not contemplate the issuing of bonds. He sandwiched it into a speech ostensibly on the tariff question, Thursday, in which he took occasion to land the McKinley tariff in contrast with the Wilson tariff. His financial proposition is that the national banks be permitted to deposit in the U. S. Treasury greenbacks and silver certificates, receiving in return for them $110 in notes for every $100 deposited, the ten per cent. bonus being offered as an inducement to the banks to deposit the greenbacks and certificates. This is a very shrewdly framed proposition, and kills, so to speak, several birds with one stone, for while it provides for the retiring of two kinds of paper it supplies a substitute in larger quantity, thus placating those who oppose the retiring of the greenbacks because so doing would contract the volume of currency to that amount. The retiring of the silver certificates is a bid for the support of the gold men who would like to relegate silver snd get it out of the way as money other than subsidiary coin. For this reason it will be opposed by the silver men who will see through it and by others who do not believe that the national banks should be made perpetual or that they should have an absolute monopoly of the paper currency of the country. There is a good deal to be said on both sides of this question, but leaving these objections out of consideration this is the most practical proposition that has yet been submitted.

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The Court of Appeals of New York has settled a question which ought to be settled in all the States where there is any doubt about it, by deciding that a person cannot be punished for contempt of Court for acts committed beyond the presence of the Court, although he may be punished for disobedience of injunctions or orders of the Court officially made. A great many judges of high and low degree act on the assumption that their personality constitutes the Court, and that they are as much a judge in the official sense when taking a surf bath, getting outside of an oyster roast, or playing a game of football, as they are when sitting on the bench, and that any indignity then offered them is an affront to the dignity of the Court. A judge is a judge while presiding in his official capacity, and when not he is simply a plain American citizen without any ornamental or fictitious adjuncts, and is entitled to no more consideration or deference than any other respectable, dignified American citizen. Of course all judges should so bear themselves as to command voluntary respect both on and off the bench, and most of them do, but all do not. Generally speaking it is the one who does not who is most touchy about the dignity of the Court, and the quickest to call a citizen to taw for "contempt," when it isn't always easy to conceal the contempt.

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Senator White has offered a resolution in the Senate to amend the rules, so that debate shall be relivant to the subject under discussion. This would practically do away with that "Senatorial courtesy," which has been so much and so often abused, under cover of which a Senator could read a series of essays on "the missing link" or a disquisition on the art of cookery, or anything else that his humor might suggest. During the last Congress one Senator did actually read the greater part of a book, just published, as a part of his speech, the object being to kill time and possibly to give the book some free advertising and more publication at the expense of the U. S. Treasury. During the tariff debate in the last Congress Senator Quay lumbered the pages of the *Congressional Record* day after day, as it suited his pleasure and convenience, with statistics and other stuff taken bodily from the Treasury and other departments which had no more relevancy to the subject in the debate than the report on the Behring sea controversy had. This is one of the easy ways of protracting debate, prolonging sessions of Congress, and making them cost the people an immense amount of money, really thrown away, and at the same time retarding useful legislation. The resolution should be adopted, but will not be.

BOOK NOTICES.

The Bohemian for December is very entertaining with its varied list of contents. Among the articles is one on "The Southern Girl and the Bicycle," which the Southern girl, at least, will read with interest. Published by The Bohemian Publishing Company, Cincinnati, Ohio.

The Social Economist is a publication inteaded for the thoughtful reader and the student of economic, financial and other matters pertaining to the public. The December number presents an interesting list of contents, embracing a dozen or more papers on topics which are now engaging more or less the attention of the people of this and other countries. Address Social Economist Publishing Company, Union Square, New York.

The Review of Reviews for December is full of interesting matter, embracing a copious review of Senator Sherman's Reminiscenes, the reading of which would be substantially equivalent to the reading of the book itself. "The Progress of the World," always an interesting and instructive feature of this publication, is more than usually so, giving sketches (with pictures) of many persons of note in this and other countries. Address Review of Reviews Co., No. 13 Astor Place, New York.

CURRENT COMMENT.

——Sixty thousand victims of Turkish cruelty are officially acknowledged, and yet the ruling Powers delay action and permit the massacers to go on. Had it been a question of sixty thousand acres of land war would have been declared long ago. Verily, there is nothing so cheap as human life.—*Phil. Ledger, Ind.*

——If it were not ungracious to do so, we should say of Don Cameron, of Pennsylvania, that the Senate could better spare a better man. Like his father, the famous Simon Cameron, he is friendly to the Southern people. Democratic Senators like the man, whether they like his public career or not. We are sorry that Mr. Cameron is going to end that career.—*Richmond Dispatch, Dem.*

——Grover has got Congress where he can put on it the responsibility of some ticklish foreign affairs. We shall presently find out just how anxious the Bill Chandlers, Cabot Lodges and Lonnie Livingstons are, to draw their vorpel swords and go galumphing after J. Bull or Johnny Crapaud. Grover has 'em, and he'll give 'em a chance to do something beside make windy speeches to the gallery gods.—*Chattanooga Times, Dem.*

TWINKLINGS.

—A Frenchmen declares he has discovered a process by which wood can be made palatable. He ought to tackle some kinds of board.—*N. Y. Press.*

—Lonesome Luke—Does yer ever wish for a bicycle, Wally?

Wally Wigging—Nope; I would ruther walk a foot than ride a foot.—*Newark Advertiser.*

—Young Lady (timorously)—Who was that screaming just now?

Dentist—Don't be alarmed; it was a patient who was being treated free of charge.—*Vereins Blatt.*

—The Heiress—I'm afraid papa will never consent.

The Impecunious—Is your father down on me.

The Heiress—No; he says he's up to you.—*Boston Courier.*

—A Talker—Briggs—You know Gablets, don't you?

Braggs—Oh, I have a listening acquaintance with him.—*Indianapolis Journal.*

—He—That's a very extravagant cook you have got.

She—Yes, she seems to think that we have victuals to burn.—*Yonkers Statesman.*

—Wayworn Watson—W'y, w't you runnin' fer? Did she set the dog on ye?

Perry Patetic—Naw. But she set me out a whole half chicken, bread, butter'n jelly an' a pack o' cigarettes. I bet she wants to marry me!—*Cincinnati Enquirer.*

—I believe," said the young man, "in giving the devil his due." "Um—yes," replied his father, who was looking over the stubs of his check book. "Still, I don't quite see the propriety of your paying him at my expense."—*Washington Star.*

Buy No Others.

All persons are hereby cautioned against buying copies of the STAR offered for sale on the streets unless, in every case, the words "For Transient Sale" are stamped on the margin of the paper. Should any newsboy or carrier offer for sale a copy of the STAR not so stamped he should be promptly reported at this office.

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

—Dunn *Union*: Mr. Charlie Byrd, son of Lamb Byrd, Esq., of Buna's Level, N. C., died Monday at the residence of his father.

—Goldsboro *Argus*: A gentleman who recently returned from a visit to Sampson county, told of a remarkable case of longevity. Peyton Rackley is 94 years old, and works regularly at his trade of making cart wheels. At the last election he walked seven miles to vote. He has always been a Democrat. Mr. Rackley is well preserved physically and mentally.

—Charlotte *Observer*: A Mrs. Bullock, of Chicago, is at Yadkinville, Yadkin county, curing all kinds of diseases without the use of medicine. She has had several patients and made some cures, and declares that there is no need of any one dying until a ripe old age is reached. Among other wonderful performances she delivers children without pain, and it is said consumption cannot abide where her magic power is brought into play. She claims to get her power over disease from the Bible. The people generally of that section are much exercised ad much talk is going on concerning her.

—Chatham *Record*: Mr. Wesley Snipes, of this county, is ninety-one years old and yet is as fond of hunting as a boy. He is wonderfully well preserved, and nearly every day takes his gun and goes hunting just as any young man would. ——Mr. S. G Wilson, of New Hope township, planted half an acre last Spring in a new variety of corn called the "willow corn," and gathered from it forty bushels. It is a very prolific corn, every stalk bearing from two to eight ears. A specimen stalk was brought by Mr. Wilson to the *Record* office on which were eight ears.

—Scotland Neck *Democrat*: Mrs. W B Harris died at her home at Dawson's, Monday, December 2, and was buried the following day. She had been a great sufferer and death was the messenger to summon her from pain to peace and rest. ——Mr. C. F. Hancock tells the *Democrat* that he had twelve acres each in peanuts and cotton this year. On his cotton he used $3 worth of home raised manure to the acre, and on his peanuts he used 75 cents worth of lime to the acre. He had a good stand of cotton but a poor stand of peanuts, and he realized $100 clear profit more from the twelve acres in peanuts than from the twelve acres in cotton.

—Tarboro *Southerner*: Saturday night at Conetoe John Owens, a colored man, was imprisoned in the town lockup for drunk and disorderly conduct. He was so infuriated and so anxious to get out that he set the house on fire, expecting by this means to effect his escape. The smoke from the building so affected him that he probably became unconscious, for when he was taken from the ruins his whole body was a charred mass. It was a terrible sight to look upon. —— Miss Jenkins, a daughter of Mr. James Jenkins, who lives near Cocoa swamp, in this county was badly burned last Thursday. Miss Jenkins has for years been afflicted with fainting spells, that come on her, sometimes very suddenly. Last Thursday while in the house alone she was attacked with one of these spells and fell prostrate on the floor, her head and shoulders falling in a large fire. The noise of the fall attracted the attention of some of the family, who went in at once to her rescue, but not until her face and shoulders were badly and seriously burned. She is not expected to live. Her suffering has been intense.

HARDLY KNEW WHERE HE WAS.

A Colored Sergeant Badly Mixed With Horses, Cannon and Dirt.

"The Ninth cavalry was the first to use the Hotchkiss mountain gun," said Captain Day to a reporter, "and the way that gun was handled about by the troops was a caution. Lieutenant Humphrey commanded the gun outfit in our troop, and he could hit an ordinary target as far as it could be seen.

"He was a very profane man, and whenever any of the boys got weary on a march they would say, 'Let's go back and hear Humphrey swear.' In marching over the mountains it was often necessary to climb down inclines which are almost a sheer drop, and at such places the soldier would sit down between the forelegs of his horse, and they slid down together.

"The gun outfit, always being in the rear, would generally find such places worn about as smooth as glass when they came up, and Humphrey's profanity then was something terrible. I remember one amusing incident connected with an affair of this sort. The incline was almost a sheer precipice, leading 80 feet below into a canyon. When Humphrey came up, of course all the dirt was worn off, leaving only the slippery side of the rock.

"He sat down and swore long and loudly, but finally got up and ordered the outfit over. The sergeant, a colored man named McElroy, was about to let the gun and two mules go over by themselves, when Humphrey yelled: 'Hold on there. Go over with them and report.'

"So over they went, and after hearing a splash in the canyon below followed by silence, Humphrey called out:

"'McElroy, are you killed?'

"A big spluttering was heard below, and pretty soon McElroy's voice came up, 'No, sah, I'ze not killed!'

"'Where's the mule?'

"'He's kicking on top of the heap, sah.'

"'Well, where's the wheel mule?'

"'He's under the off mule, sah.'

"'Is the gun all right?'

"'Yes, sah; dat's under the wheel mule, sah.'

"'Well, where in —— are you?'

"'I'ze under de gun, sah.'"—Washington Times.

It Got the Jury.

Justice Vaughan Williams tells many a good story, but the following is one of his best from the bench: A counsel for the defense only put one question to all the witnesses called by the other side, and it was, "Have you an umbrella?" Invariably the answer was "Yes." Even the policeman had an umbrella. The counsel then said: "This is very suspicious. Every witness has an umbrella," and the jury acquitted the prisoner without looking round.—Household Words.

WATCHING FOR DEAD MEN.

The Grim Summit Occupation of Niagara Fishermen.

There exists at Niagara Falls and along the river from that point to Lake Ontario an industry the like of which cannot probably be found in the civilized world. In his character of Rogue Riderhood, Dickens has portrayed a man who eked out an existence by robbing the dead bodies of unfortunates who had met death in the muddy waters of the Thames or had been thrown into the stream to conceal a greater crime, but to him and his kind the corpses had no interest aside from any valuables they might have upon their persons. At the falls, however, dead bodies have a marketable value, and it is the business of hunters for "floaters," as they are called, that constitutes so unique an industry.

Yet the occupation is a perfectly legitimate one. The bodies are not despoiled in any way by the men who pursue this occupation, and there is little doubt that they are as honest a set as can be found anywhere. They do not sell the bodies to medical colleges or for any purpose not recognized by law—in fact, it might be said they do not sell them at all, yet they realize often comfortable incomes from this source.

What makes this possible is the fact that there are two nations on the two banks of the Niagara river. In the towns along the river on both sides there are coroners, and it is the rivalry among these coroners that creates the demand for floaters and makes them a marketable commodity. The coroners receive their pay by fees, so much for every inquest, and are naturally anxious to learn of any new cases.

The annual number of cases is large, so large that a number of men exist on what they make in picking up floaters. The falls have always been a favorite spot for suicides, and many a mysterious disappearance has been solved long after by the finding of a floater in the Niagara river which is identified as the missing one. Nearly every body that is drowned off the shores at Buffalo eventually finds its way to the falls, and once over the brink of the precipice it is soon picked up by some one of these floater hunters.

Youngstown is an especially good spot for the finding of floaters. Here there is an eddy that brings the bodies in close to shore, and often they become becalmed, as it were, for days, long enough to rise to the surface and be picked up instead of drifting out into the lake. Two or three men make this their regular hunting ground, and passersby on the river's brink often hear a cry of joy arising from the depths of the gorge, which on inquiry proves to be the shout of one of these hunters who has just made a find.

The men are mostly fishermen and longshoremen, who fill in the dull season in the winter by fishing through the ice. They are a hardy set, rough in appearance and manners and dulled by their long association with corpses, so that they do not feel any qualms at handling the most decomposed body. As soon as one of their number finds a floater he anchors it in some safe spot by the riverside, where it will be concealed by the overgrowing bushes, and sets out to notify the coroner. One man, it is said, always waits until he has three bodies before sending for the authorities, saving himself two trips to the coroner's office and receiving his emolument in larger sums by this means. Most of them, however, are satisfied to get $5 at a time, which is said to be the commission allowed by the officials for new business.—Buffalo Express.

Acetylene.

So much has been said concerning the new substance known as acetylene in its recently evolved form and relations in respect to gas and allied industries that, taking the statement of Professor V. B. Lewis as authority, the importance of the article may be explained as due briefly to the reduction to it by the baking action of the flame of all the remaining hydrocarbons present in coal gas. It is the acetylene which provides the luminiferous flame with those carbon particles which, being heated to incandescence by various causes, endow the flame with the power of emitting light. The gas, being thus the cause of luminosity, is naturally the most powerful of the gaseous hydrocarbon illuminants. Owing, however, to its intense richness, it can be consumed only in small, flat burners, but under these conditions it emits a light greater than that given by any other known gas, its illuminating value, calculated to a consumption of five cubic feet an hour, being rated at no less than 240 candles.—New York Sun.

The Mule's Hind Legs.

A Georgia boy has written the following on "The Mule:" "The mule has four legs, two in front and two behind, but if a mule ever kicks you you'll think he had 40, though in most cases you ain't well enough to think—after he lets his legs fly"—Atlanta Constitution.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

THE BEST SALVE in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by R R BELLAMY. †

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Four Big Successes.

Having the needed merit to more than make good all the advertising claimed for them, the following four remedies have reached a phenomenal sale. Dr. King's New Discovery, for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, each bottle guaranteed—Electric Bitters, the great remedy for Liver, Stomach and Kidneys. Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the best in the world, and Dr. King's New Life Pills, which are a perfect pill. All these remedies are guaranteed to do just what is claimed for them and the dealer whose name is attached herewith will be glad to tell you more of them. Sold at ROBERT R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store. †

YEARS OF INTENSE PAIN.

Dr. J. H. Watts, druggist and physician, Humboldt, Neb., who suffered with heart disease for four years, tryed every remedy and all treatments known to himself and fellow-practitioners; believes that heart disease is curable. He writes:

"I wish to tell what your valuable medicine has done for me. For four years I had heart disease of the very worst kind. Several physicians I consulted, said it was

Rheumatism of the Heart.

DR. J. H. WATTS.

It was almost unendurable; with shortness of breath, palpitations, severe pains, unable to sleep, especially on the left side. No pen can describe my sufferings, particularly during the last months of those four weary years. I finally tried

Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure,

and was surprised at the result. It put new life into and made a new man of me. I have not had a symptom of trouble since and I am satisfied your medicine has cured me for I have now enjoyed, since taking it

Three Years of Splendid Health.

I might add that I am a druggist and have sold and recommended your Heart Cure, for I know what it has done for me and only wish I could state more clearly my suffering then and the good health I now enjoy. Your Nervine and other remedies also give excellent satisfaction." J. H. WATTS.

Humboldt, Neb., May 9, '94.

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A Remembrance of Sir Walter Scott.

He had come for quiet and refuge from visitors to my father's house, where he was as free as in his own, but he said frankly he felt unequal to any society but that of his friend's youngest child, who would amuse him with her merry bavardage. So I was left alone with him that afternoon, and the scene is present with me as if it were yesterday. Sir Walter, addressing me with the gentle "dearie" he was wont to apply to little children, told me that he did not wish to speak himself at all, but he would be glad to listen to some fairy stories if I had any to tell him.

Nothing was easier to me, as fairies and hobgoblins were the constant companions of my thoughts at that period of my existence and I plunged at once into a wild invention of what I imagined to be the manners and customs of such frolicsome beings, to all of which he listened patiently for a long time, and often laughed out heartily in spite of his overhanging gloom. I was very sorry when a grave person in authority came to take me back to my schoolroom and leave the greatest of all story tellers to forget the child's fantastic romance in his own dark thoughts.—Blackwood's Magazine.

In Doubt.

Ethel—So Arthur proposed last night?

Maud—Yes.

Ethel—And did you accept him?

Maud—I was so awfully excited I don't know whether I did or not. If he comes tonight, I did, and if he doesn't I didn't.—Scribner's Magazine.

Marvelous Results.

From a letter written by Rev J Gunderman, of Dimondale, Mich, we are permitted to make this extract: "I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. While I was pastor of the Baptist church at Rives Junction she was brought down with Pneumonia succeeding La Grippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little interruption and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery, it was quick in its work and highly satisfactory in results." Trial bottles free at R R BELLAMY'S drug store. Regular size 50c and $1 00. †

Wholesale Prices Current.

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The quotations are always given as accurately a possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

BAGGING—			
2-lb Jute		@	5½
Standard	7½	@	6¾
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams, ₩ lb	13½	@	14
Sides, ₩ lb	7½	@	7¾
Shoulders, ₩ lb	6	@	6½
DRY SALTED—			
Sides, ₩ lb	5½	@	5¾
Shoulders, ₩ lb	5	@	5
BARRELS— Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each		@	1 10
New New York, each	1 35	@	1 40
New City, each		@	1 40
BEESWAX, ₩ lb	26	@	27
BRICKS—			
Wilmington, ₩ M	6 50	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina, ₩ lb	15		
Northern	23	@	
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks		@	45
Virginia Meal	53	@	45
COTTON TIES—₩ bundle		@	55
CANDLES—₩ lb—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	9	@	10
CHEESE—₩ lb—			
Northern Factory	10	@	11
Dairy, Cream	11	@	12
State		@	10
COFFEE—₩ lb—	27	@	28
Laguyra	20	@	22
Rio	15½	@	20
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ₩ yard	6	@	6¾
Yarns, ₩ bunch	18	@	20
EGGS—₩ dozen	10	@	12½
FISH			
Mackerel, No. 1, ₩ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ₩ half-barrel	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ₩ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ₩ half-barrel	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ₩ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ₩ barrel	3 25	@	3 50
Mullets, ₩ pork barrel	6 00	@	6 50
N. C. Roe herring ₩ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ₩ lb	5	@	10
" Extra	3 25	@	3 50
FLOUR—₩ barrel—			
Low grade		@	3 00
Choice	2 75	@	3 00
Straight	3 75	@	3 85
Firm Patent		@	4 25
GLUE—₩ lb	57½	@	10
GRAIN—₩ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bags—White	49½	@	45
Corn, cargo, in bulk—White	47	@	40
Corn, cargo, in bags—White	47½	@	45½
Oats, from store		@	35
Oats, Rust Proof		@	45
Cow Peas	50	@	60
HIDES, ₩ lb—			
Green		@	6
Dry		@	8
HAY, ₩ 100 lbs—			
Eastern		@	1 00
Western		@	90
North River		@	85
HOOP IRON, ₩ lb	2	@	3½
LARD, ₩ lb—			
Northern	5½	@	9c
North Carolina	5	@	10
LIME, ₩ barrel			1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ₩ M feet—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough-Edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, common	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES, ₩ gallon—			
New Crop Cuba, in hhds		@	28
" " in bbls		@	28
Porto Rico, in hhds	25	@	27½
" in bbls	28	@	30
Sugar-House, in hhds	12	@	14
" in bbls		@	15
Syrup, in bbls	13	@	26
NAILS, ₩ keg, Cut, 60d base		@	2 30
PORK, ₩ barrel—			
City "ess	10 50	@	10 50
Rump		@	10 00
Prime		@	10 00
ROPE, ₩ lb	10	@	12
SALT, ₩ sack, Alum		@	75
Liverpool		@	85
Lisbon		@	
American		@	65
on 1/6 ₩ Sacks	40	@	45
SHINGLES 7-inch, ₩ M	5 00	@	7 00
Common	2 50	@	3 50
Cypress Sawn	4 50	@	5 00
Cypress Hearts		@	7 50
SUGAR, ₩ lb—Standard Gran'd	4½	@	5
Standard A		@	4¾
White Ex. C		@	4½
Extra C, Golden	4	@	4¼
C, Yellow		@	3¾
SOAP, ₩ lb—Northern	3½	@	5
STAVES, ₩ M—W. O. Barrel	5 00	@	14
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ₩ M feet—Shipping	70	@	9 00
Mill, Prime	00	@	7 00
Mill, Fair	6 50	@	4 50
Common Mill	4 00	@	3 50
Inferior to Ordinary	3 00	@	3 00
TALLOW, ₩ lb	5	@	
WHISKEY, 4 gallon—Northern	1 00	@	1
North Carolina	1 00	@	1
WOOL, ₩ lb—Washed	14	@	
Clear of burs	12½	@	
Burry		@	

COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 13.

NAVAL STORES.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Firm at 24½ cents per gallon for country and 25½ cents for machine-made casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1 35 per bbl for Strained, and $1 40 for Good Strained.

TAR—Market steady at $1 00 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market quoted on 'Change steady at $1 10 for Hard, $1 50 for Yellow Dip and $1 60 for Virgin. Inspectors quote Hard, $1 80; Virgin and Yellow Dip, $1 60.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine 24¾c; rosin, strained, $0 97½; good strained $1 02½; tar $0 95; crude turpentine $1 10, 1 50, 1 60.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	188
Rosin	699
Tar	209
Crude Turpentine	44

Receipts same day last year—66 casks spirits turpentine, 220 bbls rosin, 209 bbls tar, 44 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Steady on a basis of 8c for Middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	5⅝ cts ₩ lb
Good Ordinary	6¾ " "
Low Middling	7 9-16 " "
Middling	8 " "
Good Middling	8 5-16 " "

Same day last year, middling 6¼c.

Receipts—1,116 bales; same day last year 2,196.

COTTON AND NAVAL STORES.

WEEKLY STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

For week ended Dec. 13, 1895

Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude
14,200	919	4,200	2,497	295

RECEIPTS.

For week ended Dec. 14, 1894.

Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
24,183	1,113	6,026	2,212	940

EXPORTS.

For week ended Dec. 13, 1895.

	Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
Domestic	621	732	233	1,624	40
Foreign	19,967	291	4,539	100	200
	20,588	1,023	4,772	1,624	240

EXPORTS.

For week ended Dec. 14, 1894.

	Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
Domestic	1,602	700	7,539	5,347	1,037
Foreign	25 000	1,103	3,636	22	60
	37,602	1,803	11,175	3,369	1,097

STOCKS.

Ashore and Afloat, Dec. 13, 1895.

	Ashore.	Afloat.	Total.
Cotton	17,267	5,663	22 931
Spirits	4,137	37	4 074
Rosin	24,704	2,218	26,9 2
Tar	9,585	384	9,9 0
Crude	537	114	651

STOCKS.

Ashore and Afloat, Dec. 14, 1894.

Cotton.	Spirits.	Rosin.	Tar.	Crude.
36,930	1,342	19,986	2,225	685

QUOTATIONS.

Dec. 13, 1895.	Dec. 14, 1894.
Cotton 8c	5 5 16
Spirits 34½@35½	24½
Rosin 1 3@1 40	$0 95@1 00
Tar $1 00	90c
Crude $1 10, 1 50@1 60	$1 10, 1 50@1 70

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

FINANCIAL.

NEW YORK, December 13.—Evening—Money on call was easy a 2@2½ last loan at 2 and closing

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The Morning Star.

A COMMONPLACE LETTER.

It seemed so little the thing you did,
Just to take the pen in your hand
And send the warm heart's greeting hid
'Neath the common two cent stamp of the land.
But over the mountains and over the plain
And away o'er the billowy prairies went
The small square letter to soothe the pain
Of one who was fretted with discontent.

She was ill and tired. The long hot day
Had worn itself to the merest shred.
The last of the light as it ebbed away
Fell on her patient needle and thread.
A shadow came flying across the space
Where the fading sunlight filtered through.
There was just the gleam of a sweet young face,
And a voice said, "Here is a letter for you!"

The quick tears blurred in a sudden mist,
But she brushed them away, and then she smiled,
And you should have seen how she kissed and kissed
The postmark's circlet like a child.
Why, the name brought back the long ago,
When she dressed in her best of afternoons,
When she found it a pleasure to sit and sew,
And her seams were hummed to tripping tunes.

Poverty, change and the drudgery
Of work that goes on without an end
Had fettered the heart that was light and free
Till she'd almost forgotten she had a friend—
The people at home so seldom write.
Her youth and its pleasures lie all behind.
She was thinking bitterly but last night
That out of sight is out of mind.

Now, here is your letter! The old hills break
Beyond these levels flat and green.
She thrills to the thrush as his flute notes wake
In the vesper hush of the woods serene.
She sits again in the little church
And lifts her voice in the choir once more
Or stoops for a four leaved clover to search
In the grass that ripples up to the door.

It was very little it meant for you,
An hour at best when the day was done,
But the words you sent rang sweet and true,
And they carried comfort and cheer to one
Who was needing to feel a clasping hand
And to hear the voices she used to hear,
And the little letter the breadth of the land
Was the carrier dove that brought home near.
—Margaret E. Sangster in Youth's Companion.

One of Depew's Speeches.

Chauncey M. Depew was one day riding along in a sleeper when the train came to a stop at Cornell university. There was a big crowd outside, and the station platform was lined with yelling college boys. "Speech, speech, speech!" they yelled. Chauncey smiled. He was used to ovations, but this was more than he expected. He waited modestly for a few minutes for the cries to subside. The yells grew louder. Chauncey got up, put on his best smile and buttoned up his coat. He strode out with all the dignity of a great man. He did not know that one of the faculty of Cornell was going off on the train and was being given a rousing sendoff by the college.

Depew appeared upon the platform, bowing and smiling in every direction. "Young men of Cornell," he began in his best voice, "you do me the distinguished honor"— A cheer went up. Some of the boys recognized him. They yelled louder. Depew continued his speech and gained the attention of the crowd. He thanked them profusely for their reception, gave them some advice and retired. Just at this juncture the train drew out. The departing college professor walked inside and glared at Depew. He is now writing a treatise on "Nerve."—San Francisco Argonaut.

COULDN'T HOLD A BABY.

He Might Have Done It, but His Wife Was Bossing the Job.

There is at least one thing about which a man knows absolutely nothing, and that is the taking care of a baby. If you don't believe it, ask any woman of your acquaintance, and she will tell you that a man knows no more about how to look after a baby than the average politician knows about the financial question, and it's 16 to 1 that she's right. A striking feature of this was furnished on a Cass avenue car.

A young couple got aboard at St. Louis avenue, the woman carrying two small valises, one umbrella, a box of lunch, a baby's cloak, a purse and a fare, and the man carefully handling a well wrapped up baby, apparently about 6 months old. When the man sat down, he carefully placed the baby on his lap, only to be greeted with:

"Don't hold the baby that way. That wind blowing in her face will give her the colic."

The Baby was turned around so that its back was toward the front of the car.

"Now, ain't you ashamed of yourself?" came from the woman. "Don't you know that riding backward will make her sick?"

Patiently the man shifted the little one, holding it this time up against his breast so that its head rested on his shoulder. But the window behind him was open, and the anxious one noticed it almost immediately.

"Don't you know better than that? The wind is blowing right on her head, and she will catch cold. Take her down right away."

Baby was taken down, and after a moment's thought the man, evidently anxious to do the right thing, but not knowing just how to do it, held the infant in front of him, its feet resting on his knees. The mother was busy adjusting her various belongings, but it did not take her long. She suddenly looked around and said testily:

"Now, haven't I told you often enough not to let her stand on her feet? That will make her bow legged. Hold her right or let me have her."

The last suggestion seemed the only way out of it, so he started to hand the youngster over, but was interrupted with:

"No, you don't. You said if I'd go you would take care of her, and you have got to do it."

But just then the little one began to cry, and the mother reached for it, laid its face downward on her lap and patted it on the back a few moments. The crying stopped, the man gave a sigh of relief, and the reporter left the car.—St. Louis Republic.

Strange Collision.

Farny, the artist, tells a story of the greatest fright of his life. The incident happened in a little Pennsylvania town. He says:

It was terribly dark, and there were no street lamps. I was walking along at a good gait because I had an engagement and was a little late.

I started to walk across the road and ran head first into the most singular object I had ever felt. I put my hands against it and felt that it was some substance that gave. It seemed like a wall of canvas, and just then something like a snake struck me in the face.

A little farther up the road I saw lights moving and heard the shouts of men. Over the din of voices arose the awful howls of some animal. I thought I had an attack of nightmare. I was so frightened I could not move, and I could feel the thing I had run into swaying to and fro. In a few seconds I became composed enough to step back a few paces and wait until the men with the lights came up.

What do you suppose I had fallen over? An elephant. A circus had been passing along the road, and the elephant had broken from its keeper, and after running a short distance had stopped, and I had walked right into him. The old fellow had swung his trunk around at that moment, and if he had been in a bad humor he would have picked me up with it, and I might have had an uncomfortable quarter of an hour.

It is passing strange that a man will never look for a towel until he gets the soap in his eyes.

Over 28 per cent of all our foreign immigration has come from Germany.

The word Borneo is of native origin, signifying "the land."

A FIGHT WITH A PIRATE.

Lieutenant Maynard Destroys the Force of the Notorious Blackbeard.

The pirate sloop loomed up larger and larger as she bore down upon them. The lieutenant crouched down under the rail looking out at her. Suddenly a little distance away she came about, broadside on, and then drifted. She was close aboard. Something came flying through the air—another and another. They were bottles. One of them broke with a crash upon the deck. The others rolled over to the farther rail. In each of them a quick match was smoking. Almost instantly there was a flash and a terrible report, and the air was full of the whiz and singing of broken particles of glass and iron. There was another report, and the whole air seemed full of gunpowder smoke.

There was a sudden jar.

"They're aboard of us!" said the mate. And even as he spoke the lieutenant roared out, "All hands to repel boarders!"

As he called out the order he himself ran forward through the smoke, snatching one of his pistols out of his pocket and the cutlass out of its sheath. The men were coming swarming up from below. There was a sudden stunning report of a pistol, and then another and another almost together. There was a groan and the fall of a heavy body. A figure came jumping over the rail and then two or three more directly following. The lieutenant was in the midst of the gunpowder smoke. Suddenly Blackbeard was there. He had stripped himself naked to the waist. There were two slings, each with a brace of pistols, hanging around his shoulders. Almost with the blindness of instinct the lieutenant thrust out his pistol, firing as he did so. The pirate staggered back. He was down. No, he was up again. He had a pistol in each hand.

Suddenly the mouth of a pistol was pointing straight at the lieutenant's head. He ducked instinctively, striking upward with his cutlass as he did so. There was a stunning, deafening report almost in his ear. He struck again blindly with his cutlass. He saw the flash of a sword and flung up his guard almost instinctively, meeting the crash of the descending blade. Somebody shot from behind him. At the same moment he saw some one strike the pirate. One of Maynard's own men tumbled headlong against him, and he fell with the man, but almost instantly he had scrambled to his feet again. As he did so he saw that the pirate sloop had drifted a little way from them. His hand was smarting as though struck with the lash of a whip. He looked around him. The pirate captain was nowhere to be seen. Yes, there he was lying by the rail. He raised himself upon his elbow, and the lieutenant saw that he was trying to point a pistol at him, but his arm wavered and swayed, and the pistol nearly fell from his fingers. His elbow gave way, and he fell down upon his face. He tried to raise himself. He fell down again, then rolled over, then lay still.

There was a loud splash of men jumping overboard and then almost instantly the cry of "Quarter! Quarter!" The lieutenant ran to the edge of the vessel. The grappling irons of the pirate ship had parted, and they had drifted off. The few pirates who had been left aboard of the schooner had jumped overboard or were holding up their hands. "Quarter!" they cried. "Don't shoot! Quarter!" And the fight was over.—Howard Pyle in St. Nicholas.

REFLECTED HER PROFESSION.

He Knew She Was a Schoolmarm by Her Dress and Hair.

"How unconsciously men and women take on the atmosphere of their surroundings and avocations!" remarked a man recently. "I can recall an illustration of that fact in an experience I had some years ago. I have been so long accustomed to the association of women schoolteachers that I am rarely mistaken when I come in contact with one. A prominent woman teacher from a northern city was expected here several years ago to be present at an educational meeting. I had never seen her, but received a telegram asking me to meet her at the train. I was sure I would be able to identify her. I went through the train, which was crowded with passengers. I looked around and soon found the teacher. She was perfectly astonished when I came up and said, 'Is this Miss Blank?'

"'Yes, that is my name,' she replied, 'but how did you know me?'

"I did not explain, but it was easy enough. At first glance I saw her hair was short, that she wore eyeglasses and had on a plain looking sort of gray cloth dress. Any doubts I might have had were soon relieved, as I noticed hanging from her watch fob a small globe, being a miniature of the earth. Another earmark was a small hand satchel that snapped loudly when she closed it. I knew I could not be mistaken, and results showed I correctly diagnosed the profession of that woman."—Philadelphia Press.

Maine's Extinct Volcano.

Although Haystack mountain in Aroostook is said to be the remains of an extinct volcano, it has been the general opinion that the traces of lava in Maine were conspicuous only by their absence. But Professor W. S. Bayley of Colby university is quoted as proving by a series of rocks at North Haven that Knox county once was the seat of a great volcano which was subject to as violent eruptions as Vesuvius. Even to the present day lava sheets may be seen stretching over the northern half of Vinalhaven.

"When Vesuvius was born," says Professor Bayley, "it cast up ashes and dust, which in falling buried the cities of Pompeii and Herculaneum. The Maine volcano emptied similar material and in quantities large enough to bury a dozen towns." The age of this old volcano and even its exact site are not yet known, but it is such a perfectly preserved example of an ancient volcano that it has attracted attention beyond the borders of the state and will be studied exhaustively by Mr. G. O. Smith at the Johns Hopkins university.—Lewiston Journal.

Distasteful Subject.

"My dear," said the politician's wife to her eminent husband, "that collar of yours is"—

"Madam," interrupted the lord of the household, "must I be taunted in my own home? Let me in this place at least hear nothing of collars."

"But I just wanted to say that your collar"—

"Now do not persist, I tell you. I will not permit a discussion of my political affiliations around the family fireside."

"But your collar is frayed out at the edge, my dear, and you ought to put on another," persisted the dutiful wife.

And so there was no domestic tragedy after all.—New York World.

In a French Nursery.

Mother (interposing)—What is this fresh quarrel about, children? And you, Robert, why have you been scratching your little sister?

Robert—Mamma, this is how it was: We were playing at republic. Yvonne had been president for a full quarter of an hour and she wouldn't resign.—Paris Justice.

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1 50	Lv.. Mulberry street ..Ar	12 40
3 53	Lv.. Jacksonville Lv	10 48
4 30	Lv.. Marysville Lv	10 09
4 44	Lv.. Pollocksville.....Lv	9 53
5 9	Ar.. Newbern Lv	9 20
P M		A M

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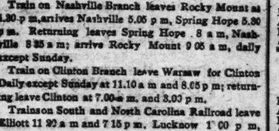

SCHEDULE IN EFFECT NOV. 17, 1895.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTHBOUND.

DAILY No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 10.47 a m, Warsaw 11.01 a m, Goldsboro 11.26 a m, Wilson 12.40 p m, Rocky Mount 1.20 p m, Tarboro 2.36 p m, Weldon 3.39 p m, Petersburg 5.29 p m, Richmond 6.40 p m, Norfolk 6.05 p m, Washington 11.10 p m, Baltimore 12.53 a m, Philadelphia 3.45 a m, New York 6.50 a m, Boston 8.30 p m.

DAILY 7.00 P M No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.30 p m, Warsaw 8.43 p m, Goldsboro 9.36 p m, Wilson 10.22 p m, †Tarboro 6.58 a m, Rocky Mount 11.05 a m, Weldon 1.01 a m, †Norfolk 10.35 a m, Petersburg 2.37 a m, Richmond 3.40 a m, Washington 7.00 a m, Baltimore 8.33 a m, Philadelphia 10.46 a m, New York 1.32 p m, Boston 8.30 p m.

SOUTHBOUND:

DAILY 3.30 P M No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.45 p m, Chadbourn 5.19 p m, Marion 6.39 p m, Florence 7.10 p m, Sumter 8.48 p m, Columbia 10.10 p m, Denmark 6.20 a m, Augusta 8.00 a m, Macon 11.00 a m, Atlanta 12.15 p m, Charleston 11.13 p m, Savannah 1.19 a m, Jacksonville 7.55 a m, St. Augustine 10.15 a m, Tampa 5.00 p m.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.45 P M No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston 1.00 p m, New York 9.00 p m, Philadelphia 12.05 a m, Baltimore 2.55 a m, Washington 4.30 a m, Richmond 9.00 a m, Petersburg 10.00 a m, Norfolk 8.40 a m, Weldon 11.52 a m, Tarboro 12.30 p m, Rocky Mount 1.05 p m, Wilson 2.10 p m, Goldsboro 3.10 p m, Warsaw 4.09 p m, Magnolia 4.16 p m.

DAILY 10.00 a m No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12.00 p m, New York 9.30 a m, Philadelphia 12.00 a m, Baltimore 2.25 p m, Washington 3.46 p m, Richmond 7.30 p m, Petersburg 8.12 p m, †Norfolk 3.10 p m, Weldon 9.44 p m, †Tarboro 5.58 p m, Rocky Mount 6.43 p m, leave Wilson 6.30 a m, Goldsboro 7.05 a m, Warsaw 8.02 a m, Magnolia 8.15 a m.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 11.50 a m No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.00 a m, Sanford 1.00 p m, Jacksonville 6.30 p m Savannah 12.10 night, Charleston 4.13 a m, Columbia 8.30 a m, Atlanta 7.15 a m, Macon 9.00 a m, Augusta 2.25 p m, Denmark 4.17 p m, Sumter 6.43 a m., Florence 8.35 a m, Marion 9.06 a m, Chadbourn 10.10 a m, Lake Waccamaw 10.39 a m.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 p m, Halifax 4.18 p m, arrive Scotland Neck 5.05 p m, Greenville 6.47 p m, Kinston 7.45 p m. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.20 a m, Greenville 8.22 a m, Arriving Halifax at 11 00a m, Weldon 11.20 a m, daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 7.00 a. m., arrive Parmele 8.40 a. m., Tarboro 10 a m returning leaves Tarboro 4.30 p m; Parmele 6.30 p. m. arrives Washington 7.45 p. m. Daily except Sunday. Connects at Parmele with trains on Scotland Neck Branch.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, at 4.30 p m; Sunday 3.00 p m.; arrive Plymouth 9 00 p m, 5 25 p m. Returning, leave Plymouth daily except Sunday 6.00 a m, Sunday 9 30 a m; Arrive Tarboro 10.25 a m and 11 55 a m.

Train on Midland N C Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 6 05 a m; arrive Smithfield, N. C., 7.30 a m. Returning, leaves Smithfield, N. C.; 8 00 a m; arrive Goldsboro, N. C., 9 30 a m.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 4.30 p m, arrives Nashville 5.05 p m, Spring Hope 5.30 p m. Returning leaves Spring Hope 8 a m, Nashville 8 35 a m; arrive Rocky Mount 9 05 a m, daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton Daily except Sunday at 11.10 a m and 8.05 p m; returning leave Clinton at 7.00 a m. and 3.00 p m.

Train on South and North Carolina Railroad leave Elliott 11 20 a m and 7 15 p m, Lucknow 1 00 p m, and 8 15 p m; returning leave Lucknow 6 30 a m and 2.00 p m, arrive Elliott 8 00 a m and 3 30 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 8 40 a m, arrive Latta 9.01 a m, Dillon 9 19 a m, Rowland 9 31 a m, returning leaves Rowland 6 08 p m, arrives Dillon 6.21 p m, Latta 6.34 p m, Pee Dee 6.57 p m, daily. Latta Branch trains leave Latta 6 40 p m, arrive Clio 6 05 p m, returning leave Clio 6 10 a m, arrive Latta 7 50 a m. Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Conway Railroad, leave Hub at 8.15 a m, Chadbourn 10.30 a m, arrive Conway 12.35 p m, leave Conway 2 30 p m, Chadbourn 5.35 p m, arrive Hub 6.50 p m, Daily except Sunday.

Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence 8.15 a m, 8.45 a m, *8.50 a m, 7 35 p m, arrive Darlington 8.55 a m, 9.20 a m, *1.20 a m, 8 p m, Hartsville 9.10 a m and 8.50 p m. Bennettsville 6 54 p m, Gibson 9 30 p m, Cheraw, S. C., 11.15 a m, Wadesboro 1.10 p m. Returning leave Wadesboro 1.00 p m, Cheraw 4.40 p m, Gibson 5 47 p m, Bennettsville 6 16 a m, Hartsville 6.30 a m, *6 45 a m, Darlington 7.30 a m, *7 30 p m, 4.30 p m, 6.05 p m, arrive Florence 7.55 a m, *7.55 a m, 5 p m, 6.45 p m. *Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 5.50 p m, Manning 6.31 p m, arrive Lane's 7 p m, leave Lanes 5.58 a m, Manning 9.15 a m, arrive Sumter 9.44 a m. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lanes 9.30 a m, 7.10 p m, arrive Georgetown 12 m, 9.30 p m, leave Georgetown 7 a m, 4 p m, arrive Lanes 9.35 a m, 5.35 p m. Daily except Sunday.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 2.05 p m, 11.18 p m, arrive Selma 3.50 p m. Smithfield 3.08 p m, Dunn 3.44 p m, Fayetteville 4.30 p m. 1.07 a m, Rowland 6.08 p m, returning leave Rowland 9 31 a m, Fayetteville 10.55 a m, 9.40 p m, Dunn 11.44 a m, Smithfield 12.25 p m, Selma 12.39 p m, arrive Wilson 1.30 p m, 11.18 p m.

Manchester & Augusta Railroad train leaves Darlington *7.25 a m, arrives Sumter *8 55 a m. Leave Sumter †10 a m, arrives Pregnalls †10.40 p m. Leaves Sumter 4 35 a m, arrives Denmark 6 20 a m. Returning leaves Denmark 4 17 p m, arrive Sumter 6 01 p m. Leaves Pregnalls †6 50 a m, arrives Sumter †9 05 p m. Leaves Sumter †6 25 p m, arrives Darlington *7 05 p m. †Daily except Sunday.

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CONDENSED SCHEDULE.

IN EFFECT DEC. 8, 1895.

SOUTH BOUND DAILY No. 1.	MAIN LINE	NORTH BOUND DAILY No. 2.
7 55 p m	Ar.. Wilmington ..Lve	7 35 a m
4 45 "	Lv.. Fayetteville ..Ar	10 35 a m
4 30 "	Ar.. Fayetteville ..Lv	12 55 "
4 37 "	At Fayetteville Junc Lv	10 57 "
3 19 "	Lv .... Sanford Lv	11 19 p m
12 39 a m	Lv.... Climax..... Lv	2 58 "
1 03 "	Lv.... Greensboro....

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 14, 1895

SPOTS AND FUTURES.

New York Sun's Review of the Cotton Market, The Total Net Receipts.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 13—The following are the total net receipts of cotton at the ports since September 1st, 1895, viz: Galveston 567 576 bales; New Orleans 941 223; Mobile 118 445; Savannah 459,338 Charleston 185 865; Wilmington 128 531; Norfolk 151 719; Baltimore 18 641; New York 39 958, Boston 48 467; Newport News 5 158, Philadelphia 20 864; West Point 98,734; Brunswick 40 266; Texas City 20 530, Port Royal 28 598; Pensacola 3,900 Total, 2 886 618

The *Sun* says: Cotton rose one point, lost this and declined one point, recovered this and advanced seven points, lost this and closed two points lower for the day and easy, with sales of 145 000 bales.

To-day's features: It was a narrow trading market, and as far as the news was concerned the bulls had the advantage. Not only that, but prices early in the day were actually higher because of activity and strength in Liverpool, small receipts at the South and local buying. But it was a narrow scalping market, and liquidation later in the day caused a recession which put prices slightly below the last figures of yesterday. Yet Liverpool sold 12 000 bales to-day and 75 000 for the week, making a total in a fortnight of 150 000 and in a month of about 300 000, which is certainly a remarkable record of activity there, something in fact which is believed to be unparalleled within the same period of time in any previous season. The Continent is buying in Liverpool, and if the bulls are not aggressive neither are the bears. The receipts for the week, both at the ports and the interior towns, were rather smaller than had been expected. The total interior receipts fell about 5 000 bales below the estimate. In a word most of the news was bullish, only it must be confessed that it was neutralized by the smaliness of the speculation. The bears will watch the January crop movement very sharply. They run on the slightest alarm and they will run even harder in January if they see that the quantity to be brought into sight is going to be less than in January, 1893, when it was 556 000 bales. They profess to believe that January, 1896, will see a larger movement than this. If their belief is not confirmed, then it is generally conceded that the crop estimate cannot be reached. They estimate the crop at 7,350,000 bales and upward The bulls say 6 350,000 to 6,750 000. The undertone is considered firm, for if speculators are not buying cotton manufacturers are buying it with avidity.

CALL ISSUED

For a Meeting of the Democratic National Committee to Fix the Time and Place for the National Convention.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHILADELPHIA, December 13.—Chairman W. F. Harrity has issued a call for a meeting of the Democratic National Committee to be held at the Arlington Hotel, Washington, D. C., on Thursday, January 16th, 1896, at 11 o'clock a. m, for the purpose of fixing the time and place for the meeting of the Democratic National Convention of 1896, and for the transaction of other business.

The resolution offered by Gen. P. A. Collins of Massachusetts, in the Democratic National Convention of 1892, requesting the Democratic National Convention to provide accommodations only for the delegates, the alternates, the members of the Democratic National Committee and the members of the press will be acted upon. The resolution is now in the hands of a sub-committee of the National Committee, composed of Wm. F. Harrity of Pennsylvania, who is chairman of the committee, Bradley B. Smalley of Vermont, Arthur P. Gorman of Maryland, Ben T. Cable of Illinois and Edward C. Wall of Wisconsin.

MADAGASCAR.

A Christian Mission Attacked and Destroyed by Natives.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PARIS Dec. 13.—Advices from Antananarivo, the capital of Madagascar, under the date of November 30 say that a mob of 6,000 Hovas had attacked and destroyed the Christian mission at Ramainandro, but that missionary Macmahon and his family occupying the mission succeeding in escaping unharmed. A force of 600 French troops was dispatched to the scene to quell the disturbance and all Europeans were ordered to the capital as a measure of safety.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT

Of Stocks, Receipts and Exports of Cotton.

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—The following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending this date:

	1895	1894
Net receipts at all United States ports during the week...	238,424	342,127
Total receipts to this date.....	2 886 618	4 296 884
Exports for the week	184,516	243,249
Total exports to this date.....	1,786,064	2 771,935
Stock in all United States ports.....	965,654	1,218,316
Stock at all interior towns.....	248 071	198 816
Stock in Liverpool...	974,000	993,000
American afloat for Great Britain.....	180,000	310,000

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 13.—Spirits turpentine more active, firm at 27½@28c Rosin steady quiet and, strained common to good $1 70@1 75.

CHARLESTON, December 13.—Spirits turpentine was firm at 24½c; receipts — casks. Rosin firm; good strained $1 90 @1 95; receipts 204 barrels.

SAVANNAH, December 13.—Spirits turpentine firm at 25½c; sales 800 casks; receipts 797 casks. Rosin dull for pales; others firm and unchanged.

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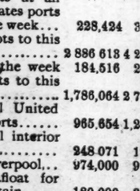

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NEWS OF THE NAVY.

ADMIRAL BUNCE'S SQUADRON WILL SAIL SOUTH IN A FEW DAYS.

Rumors That Its Voyage to the Tropics Hinges on the Venezuelan Affair—Trial of the Battleship Texas—The Cruiser Maine Ready for Service.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 13—The trial yesterday of the Government-built battleship Texas, whose several misfortunes have given rise to many conflicting opinions as to her capabilities, resulted in an entirely satisfactory performance, according to Capt. Henry Glass, her commander.

Orders were issued by the Navy Department this afternoon directing that the official trial of the Texas should take place on the 18th inst.

The armored cruiser Maine is practically ready for service. A telegram to the Navy Department dated at Newport, R. I., to-day from Capt. George Dewey, President of the Naval Board of Inspection, says the cruiser Maine is entirely ready for sea and it will not be necessary to send her to any navy yard for repairs or anything of that nature. Bad weather has prevented her from leaving Newport. Capt Dewey says that the Board has completed the inspection of the vessel, including a success ful full speed trial except obtaining her tactical diameter, firing the turret guns and testing her hydraulic machinery. The telegram leaves a doubt as to whether the torpedoes were tested and Acting Secretary McAdoo has wired Capt. Dewey on the subject. If the torpedo test has been made the Maine will be ordered to coal and join Admiral Bunce's squadron of evolution at Hampton Roads without delay. The squadron is scheduled to sail December 31st.

The itinerary of the fleet, subject to such changes as Admiral Bunce may desire to make, is as follows: Hampton Roads, St. Thomas, Santa Cruse, St. Kitts, Guadaolope, Martinique, St. Lucia, Barbadoes, Porto Rico, San Domingo, Port-au Prince, Kingston, Colon, Chiriqui, Port Limon, Greytown, Dry Tortugas, Key West, Florida Bay, Key West, Hampton Roads, arriving at the latter port on May 19th.

Chiriqui, Port Limon and Greytown, Admiral Bunce states, may be omitted. Coal will be taken on at St. Thomas, St. Lucia and Key West. During the stay at Trinidad the squadron will have drill and target practice in the bay of Paria.

Most attention has been drawn to this squadron by rumors that its voyage to the tropics hinged on the Venezuelan controversy, and the warnings of the British newspapers that a visit by the squadron to any Venezuelan port would be looked on with disfavor by Great Britain. The itinerary shows that St. Lucia, a day's sail from the Venezuelan coast, will be the nearest approach to the territory in controversy, and it may or may not be of significance that five days will be spent there on the down trip and six days in returning. St. Lucia is conceded by naval officers to be one of the principal supply depots of the British in the event of trouble with the United States,

It is also noticeable that the longest stay of the entire voyage will be made at Trinidad, which is 600 miles from Venezuela and next to St. Lucia, the nearest approach contemplated to that country Admiral Bunce's squadron will consist of the New York, the Columbia, the Raleigh and the Cincinnati, all cruisers, and the Maine, sometimes described as an armored cruiser but more frequently as a second-class battleship.

The cruiser Minneapolis, under orders to proceed to Smyrna, Syria, in connection with the protection of American interests, arrived at Gibraltar to-day.

The Minneapolis passed through the Virginia Capes outward bound, on November 27th and was therefore sixteen days in making the voyage. As she is considered the fastest ship of the new navy her low average rate of about 9 knots an hour causes some surprise, although the vessel was not ordered to proceed with dispatch.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Wheat Declined—Corn and Oats Closed Lower—Pork Products Firm and Higher.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHICAGO, Dec. 13.—The price of wheat declined to-day under the weight of selling out of long property. A heavy line was sold at the opening and sales throughout the day were also made by the late manager for the suspended firm of Kennett. Hopkins & Co., the trades probably being for the account of clients of that house. May wheat opened from 61⅛@61c, declined to 60⅝@60⅝c, closing at 60⅝c—⅜c under yesterday. Cash wheat was steady to ⅛c lower.

Corn—The weakness of wheat occasioned selling of corn, with a consequent depreciation in values. May corn opened at 38⅜c, declined to 38⅜@38⅜c, closing at 38⅜c bid—⅛c under yesterday. Cash corn was ⅛@⅜c lower.

Oats through force of habit or of sympathy followed the course of wheat. May oats closed ⅜c under yesterday. Cash oats were easy.

Provisions—The disposition in product was to buy rather than sell this morning. Outside orders were generally on that line and shorts taking the hint did likewise. A fair business was transacted, but no really significant trading was brought to light. The firmness was generally maintained throughout the session. May pork closed five cents higher; May lard and ribs each 2½c higher.

STARVING ARMENIANS.

The American Red Cross Will Endeavor to Relieve the Distress in Asia Minor.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 13.—The following announcement was issued from the national headquarters of the Red Cross to day:

"Owing to the unanimous and urgent appeals from the friends of humanity, representing nearly all of the people of this country, the American National Red Cross has decided that it must accept the sacred trust of endeavoring to relieve the starving Armenians in Asia Minor. According to conservative estimates there are 350 000 utterly destitute people in that country, who will have to be assisted six or eight months—until the next harvest. Fully realizing the difficulties and dangers to be met, the Red Cross will start for Turkey as soon as sufficient funds are placed at its disposal, or guaranteed, to insure success. Funds may be sent to Miss Clara Barton, President and Treasurer of the American National Red Cross, Washington, D. C. Authorized agents to receive funds and materials will be published in a few days. The Red Cross also suggests that goods, grain and other material may be sent by chartered steamer.

The Grangers' Bank of California, one of the oldest banks in San Francisco, is about to go into voluntary liquidation and has closed its doors. An examination made by the bank commissioners show that the bank is not only able to pay all its indebtedness in a short time, but after liquidation there will be a large surplus for the stockholders to divide.

The Modern Mother

Has found that her little ones are improved more by the pleasant laxative, Syrup of Figs, when in need of the laxative effects of a gentle remedy than by any other, and that it is more acceptable to them. Children enjoy and it benefits them. The true remedy, Syrup of Figs, is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only.

THE STATE OF TRADE.

COLD WEATHER STIMULATES SALES OF SEASONABLE GOODS.

Wholesale Trade Dull—Course of Prices of Staples Downward—The Christmas Trade Disappointing—Business Failures.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 13.—Bradstreet says: With the exception of mild weather at cities in Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska and Minnesota, colder weather has stimulated sales of seasonable merchandise at nearly all points, but only by contrast with preceding weeks. Wholesale trade is dull, merchants preferring to reduce stocks at the end of the year to make ready for annual inventories. In retail lines there has been a marked increase in demand. Irregularity is shown in mercantile collections, general trade throughout the country being relatively most satisfactory in the central Mississippi valley.

Bank clearings throughout the United States aggregate $1 129 000,000, a decrease of nine per cent. from last week, which is not unusual. As compared with clearings for the second week of December, 1894, this week's aggregate shows an increase of ten per cent.

The course of prices of staples continues downward. Lumber remains steady and without particular activity. Iron and steel continue on what appears to be a regular weekly decrease, although reductions this week are fractional. The only advances in quotations recorded among the more important staples are for petroleum, coffee and cotton.

In industrial lines, woollen manufacturers report fair orders for dry goods, but at low prices. Philadelphia textile plants running on full time are those at work on orders for immediate delivery. Philadelphia manufacturers of morocco have begun running on short time.

There are 318 business failures reported throughout the United States this week, compared with 318 last week, 388 in the like week one year ago, 387 two years ago and as contrasted with 298 in the second week of December, 1893. Among more conspicuous trade features are the disappointing Christmas trade at several cities, smaller volume of business, except in Christmas goods at Chicago, increased distribution of heavier textiles, shoes and rubber goods at St. Louis and continued depression in certain lines at Kansas City, Omaha and Minneapolis because of mild weather.

Among Southern cities the single instance of improvement is reported from Birmingham, although most distributing centres expect an increased demand after January 1st. Cotton receipts are unusually small at almost all Southern points, except at New Orleans where they are liberal. Galveston reports the Christmas trade smaller than one year ago.

N. C. CONFERENCE

Of the M. E. Church South—Proceedings at Yesterday's Session.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., December 13.—A special to the *Virginian* from Elizabeth City, N. C., says: The third day of the North Carolina Methodist Conference opened at 9 30 to-day. Religious exercises were conducted by Rev R. P. Fry, of Weldon. Revs. H. B. Anderson and G. D Langston were elected to fill vacancies in the Board of Education. H. H. Grant was assigned to Board of Missions vice his father, Rev. W. E. Grant, deceased. Credentials of J. A. B Kuparick as local minister were deposited with the Secretary. Rev W W Rose was appointed to receive subscriptions for the *Missionary Review* during Conference. Communications were received from the Board of Education and Missionary Secretaries and W. C. T. U. Students who attend colleges and schools away from home were requested to deposit their certificates with the nearest church. Report of T. J. Gattis, Conference Colporteur, was received and referred and Mr. Gattis allowed to accept the offer of the South Carolina Conference to include it in the system of colportage in this State.

Under the question of "Who are Readmitted?' the name of John T. Abernethy was presented. His re-admission was advocated by Elder Swindell, of Newbern, and strenuously opposed by Revs. Cunninggim and Gibbs, elders, of Durham and Rockingham. The gifted Dr. Bates made a forcible speech in favor of re-admission, and when he concluded some excitement became apparent, some half dozen clamoring for recognition. Rev. J. W. Jenkins made an impassioned appeal in Abernethy's behalf. After considerable discussion Abernethy was re admitted by a vote of 73 to 64.

Re-admission was denied to Rev. N. L. Seabolt of the Newbern district.

Revs. T. H. Law, of Columbia, S. C., and Dr. O E Hass, editor of the Nashville *Christian Advocate*, addressed the Conference. Resolutions were passed warmly commending the *Advocate* to the people of the Conference.

Adjourned at 1 p. m.

The Conference will probably adjourn *sine die* next Monday afternoon.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND.

No Tidings Received Yesterday—A Gale Raging Over the North Carolina Sounds.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., December 13—President Cleveland and his party have succeeded to-day in thoroughly losing themselves to the outside world, for no one knows where he is at present. The Violet was to have left Hatteras to day, but whether she did so or not is unknown, for a gale has been raging over the North Carolina sounds and the wires between Kitty Hawk and Hatteras are down. At Kitty Hawk the wind blew at the rate of 68 miles an hour and was probably much heavier at Hatteras. No vessels have arrived from North Carolina waters and it is the opinion of sailing masters that the Violet could not have made the run up Pamlico sound under the heavy winds prevailing. Another obstacle now faces the President on his return. The water in the Albemarle and Chesapeake canal, through which the Violet will have to pass on her way to Norfolk, now measures only five and a half feet, the lowest ever known in that connecting link between Virginia and North Carolina. It is probable that the Presidential party will have to go to Elizabeth City, N. C., and come to Norfolk by rail. The storm to-day around Hatteras is the worst so far this season.

ALMOST TRAGIC DEATH

Of Capt. Harry Jackson, of Atlanta, After an Operation for Appendicitis.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, December 13.—A death almost tragic from its suddenness was that to-day of Capt. Harry Jackson, who is one of the best known barristers in the South and a social leader. On Monday night he was in fine health, and attended a reception tendered Mrs. Potter Palmer. Tuesday he felt a severe pain in the left side. On Wednesday he drove to the office of his physician and advised with him. Thursday night an operation for appendicitis was performed, and to-day at noon he breathed his last. He is a son of Gen. Henry R. Jackson, who was once Minister to Austria. Capt. Jackson received his early training in Vienna and London, and entered the Confederate army at 16 years of age. He has a son at Harvard.

LATE FOREIGN NEWS.

Consternation Among Christians in Constantinople Caused by a Street Brawl.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

CONSTANTINOPLE, December 13.—The details of the scare here and at Galata and Pera yesterday illustrated the tension of public feeling. One of the two Armenians who started the panic by engaging in a street brawl discharged a revolver at his opponent. The Christians within hearing of the shot immediately surmised that another massacre had commenced and shops in the vicinity of the disturbance were closed with astounding rapidity. The alarm spread and the people, filled with vague terror, rushed aimlessly hither and thither. The streets soon furnished a scene of incredible confusion, hundreds of people making their way as fast as possible toward Galata and Pera, on the northern side of the Golden Horn. The dwellers in these suburbs seeing the fugitives wildly stampeding either joined in the flight, making for the open country, or barricaded themselves strongly within their houses and shops. The Armenian porters who were working about the streets as usual, hastily dropped their loads and fled.

A number of English ladies were affected by the fear that had seized upon all the Christians and fled from their places of residence to the British embassy, where they claimed the protection of the Ambassador. Fifty Armenians sought and were given shelter in the residence of Hon. M. H. Herbert, Secretary of the British Embassy.

As soon as the authorities heard of the trouble, and that was immediately, many troops were summoned to the Yieldiz Palace. The officials acted promptly and well. The police were well handled, and cavalry and infantry were detailed to patrol the streets. The panic lasted for some time, and then subsided almost as quickly as it had started.

A characteristic official report was issued later, which attempted to minimize the affair. It ascribed the troubles to the Armenians telling the crowd that was attracted by the revolver shot that the Mussulmans were going to loot the shops because of the arrival of the British and Italian guardships.

AFFAIRS IN CUBA

Reports of Encounters of Spanish Forces With Insurgents.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MADRID, Dec. 13.—The *Imparchial's* special dispatch from Havana says that a reconnoitering train was fired into by insurgents yesterday, compelling the train to stop. A passenger train following ran into the reconnoitering train, killing one soldier and injuring six others. The rebel leaders Gomez and Maceo are advancing toward Siguanea and are being pursued by six columns of Spanish troops. A dispatch from Havana to the *Correspondencia* says that the rebel general, Maximo Gomez, has avoided a battle with the Spanish troops by rapid movements. He left Baez on December 11th, but it is not known in what direction. The Spanish Government will devote the 250.000 pesos subscribed by Spaniards in Mexico toward meeting the expenses of the Cuban revolt to the purchase of a cruiser, which will be sent to Cuban waters.

HANANA, December 13—Col. Rubin, with a column of Spanish troops, arrived at Zara on December 10th, after having had an encounter with a rebel band under Quintin Bandera and other leaders at Zaiza. The rebels were dispersed with heavy loss in killed and wounded. The Spanish force had three men killed and thirty wounded. On December 10 three combined rebel parties, under the leadership of Gomez and Maceo, passed Manaca Rodriguez, marching in the direction of Manicaragua. On December 11th the Spanish columns under Cols. Oliver and Palanca passed the same place.

Captain Conte, of the Spanish army, with a body of troops, was assisting to repair the prostrated telegraph lines when he was attacked by a rebel party 300 strong. The losses are not known. Capt. Gen. Martinez Campos has arrived at Cienfuegos.

WRECK ON THE SOUTH'N R. R.

Engineer Curlee, of Charlotte, Killed and a Locomotive and Twelve Cars Demolished.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, Dec. 13.—Thursday night, about an hour before midnight, a fatal wreck occurred on the Southern Railway at Thicketty, S C. The freight train running as third No. 43 ran into another freight, second No. 42, killing Engineer D. M. Curlee, of Charlotte, and nearly demolishing the engine and twelve cars.

The first and second sections of No. 43 going north, had side tracked at Thicketty under orders, but third No. 43 had failed, for some reason, to receive the same orders. The flagman of second No. 42, sent back to flag down the third section, was called in before the freights to pass arrived. However, he left torpedoes on the track, and when third No. 43, under a full head of steam, struck these, the engineer reversed and blew for brakes, but too late. He ordered his fireman to jump, but himself stuck to his post, while his engine crashed into the rear of second No. 42. The engine was demolished and cars piled up so high they broke down the telegraph wires. Engineer Curlee lived only a short while. His remains were brought to Charlotte and will be buried to-morrow.

AN INCENDIARY FIRE.

Thirty-One Buildings Burned at Titusville, Florida—Loss $100,000—Two Arrests Made.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

JACKSONVILLE, December 13.—The town of Titusville, in Brevard county, was nearly wiped out by fire about 1 o'clock this morning. The fire originated in Hamberg's store, in the business centre of the town, and before it was gotten under control thirty-one buildings were destroyed. All efforts to control the fire were in vain until dynamite was used to blow up buildings. During the fire a Mr. O'Brien entered a burning building to secure $18 which he had left in his room. He got the money, but was so badly burned that he died in a short while. The total loss is estimated at $100,000, partially covered by insurance.

The opinion is general that the fire was incendiary, and Messrs. Hamberg & Garner, merchants, have been arrested on suspicion and are now in jail. The fire originated in Hamberg's store, and the circumstantial evidence against the men is said to be strong. Many threats have been made against the men to day, and lynching was feared to-night. To prevent this many special officers were sworn in, and the jail is now thoroughly guarded.

Jim Nichols, colored, was hanged at Fayetteville, W. Va., yesterday morning for the murder of Henry Carr at Eagle, W. Va. His neck was broken by the drop.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

DENIED THE MAIL.

Mrs. Warner, of Jacksonville, Fla., Who Has Been Conducting a Fraudulent Business.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13—Postmaster General Wilson to-day denied the mails to Mrs. F. A. Warner, of Jacksonville, Fla., for conducting a fraudulent business. Mrs. Warner had a novel method by which she reaped considerable profit. She advertised in newspapers throughout the country glowing descriptions of flowers, shells, etc., to be obtained in Florida during the Winter months and stated that upon receipt of a certain amount in postage stamps she would send these articles. She failed to keep her part of the contract.

The postmaster at Jacksonville reported to the Department that her mail averaged a thousand letters a day, each containing probably from 10 to 25 cents in stamps. Mrs. Warner had previously been denied the privileges of the mails, but upon the promise to discontinue this character of business the fraud order was revoked.

MURDERED BY INDIANS.

A Running Fight With a Pursuing Party—The Savages Escaped.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

PHŒNIX ARIZONA, Dec. 13.—The assassins of H. H. Merrill and daughter have escaped. Sheriff Wright, of Graham county, in command of the pursuing party, returned to Duncan Wednesday night and in all probability this foul massacre will go unavenged. Sheriff Wright and posse overtook an Apache squaw and buck near Whitlock last Monday. A running fight ensued, during which the Indians escaped. When seen they had just killed a horse and were preparing the noon day meal; when the posse appeared they dropped everything. The squaw escaped on a horse and the buck on foot. In order to lighten herself the squaw threw away the clothing taken from the body of Miss Merrill, when she was killed. Although only two Indians were seen, there was evidence that there were more in the party. The recovery of Miss Merrill's clothing settles the question of their identity.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

Secretary Carlisle's Report will be Presented to Congress Monday If the President is not Delayed in His Return.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 13.—Unless there is other unforeseen delay, Secretary Carlisle's report will be presented to Congress on Monday next; that is, if the President should return in time to hold a consultation over it before Congress meets on Monday. The dispatch which Private Secretary Thurber sent to the President two days ago, stating that it was the desire of members of the Cabinet that a special meeting should be held not later than Monday next, is understood to have met with a response indicating that the President will be back in Washington on or before that day. It would surprise no well informed official if the presentation of the report were delayed until Tuesday next.

ATLANTA EXPOSITION.

Reduced Rates on All Railroads South of the Ohio and East of the Mississippi.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, GA., December 13—Railroads south of the Ohio and east of the Mississippi rivers have just made for the 19th to the 25th of December, inclusive, rates much lower than any ever made before. The round trip from Washington City to Atlanta, 1,300 miles, can be made for $8 75. This is but little over a half cent a mile. Other rates are in the same proportion. Round trip from Richmond $6.20, Norfolk, Va., $7 90, Portsmouth, Va., $7 90; Raleigh, $6 80; Wilmington, $7 00; Lynchburg, $7.50 Tickets are good to return in five days.

WARM WIRELETS.

The *Official Gazette* of London, Eng., contains a notice summoning Parliament to meet on February 11th.

Judge Nugent, twice candidate for Governor on the Populist ticket, and very prominent in Texas pioneer history, is dying at his home in Fort Worth.

High tides in Norfolk yesterday did hundreds of dollars damages along the water front. Ends of streets were submerged and street car traffic was stopped at many points.

Senator Walter C. Nixon, Democrat, announces that he will not support Blackburn for the Senate. The Kentucky Legislature being so evenly divided, this is believed to foreshadow that Blackburn cannot be elected.

A New York dispatch says yesterday was the coldest December 18th at the metropolis that has been experienced in twenty-three years. In 1879 the temperature was down to 13 degrees above zero and at 4 o'clock yesterday morning it touched 18 degrees above the mark.

A barge of the Norfolk & Carolina Railroad loaded with freight for Southern points was run into at Norfolk, Va., and sunk by the British steamer Oregon, outward bound. The freight on the barge, mostly Christmas goods such as cakes and candies, will prove a total loss.

The New York housesmiths, who have been out on a strike for nearly four weeks, agreed to go back to work with the understanding that their employers are to meet a committee of workmen to agree upon a scale of wages which shall be uniform among the members of the Iron League.

KNOWLEDGE

Brings comfort and improvement and tends to personal enjoyment when rightly used. The many, who live better than others and enjoy life more, with less expenditure, by more promptly adapting the world's best products to the needs of physical being, will attest the value to health of the pure liquid laxative principles embraced in the remedy, Syrup of Figs.

Its excellence is due to its presenting in the form most acceptable and pleasant to the taste, the refreshing and truly beneficial properties of a perfect laxative; effectually cleansing the system, dispelling colds, headaches and fevers and permanently curing constipation. It has given satisfaction to millions and met with the approval of the medical profession, because it acts on the Kidneys, Liver and Bowels without weakening them and it is perfectly free from every objectionable substance.

Syrup of Figs is for sale by all druggists in 50c and $1 bottles, but it is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only, whose name is printed on every package, also the name, Syrup of Figs, and being well informed, you will not accept any substitute if offered.

Why Not Try Paine's Celery Compound?

The loss of a single night's sleep tells in the drawn expression on the face and the sluggish powers of the mind. When this unfortunate privation continues night after night, no one can shut his eyes to the disastrous outcome.

Debility, neuralgia, headache, dyspepsia, melancholia and that dread paresis follow.

Physicians know the peril of sleeplessness. In every case brought under their care narcotics are rigidly kept away, because momentary relief leaves matters worse in the end. A permanent cure that looks to a rapid nourishment of the nervous system is found in Paine's celery compound. Nothing performs the needed service so surely and so rapidly.

It is the greatest nerve and brain restorative the world has ever known. The wonderful formula for Paine's celery compound is no secret to the medical profession. It is not a patent medicine. Its absolute freedom from any deleterious substance is an assured fact, vouched for by the ablest physicians in the country, and by the eminent Prof. Edward E. Phelps, M. D., LL. D., of Dartmouth College, who first prepared it.

Sufferers from neuralgia, neuralgic headaches and rheumatism should stop short their morphine, quinine and such pain-killing drugs. No cure can be hoped for from these temporizers. There is one way of getting rid forever of the causes of all this suffering; that is by taking Paine's celery compound. In this great modern remedy the real means to health is attended to; sleep is made sound and refreshing, the appetite improves and the nerves stop complaining, because they get the nutriment their nature requires. This is the fundamental, rational way that Paine's celery compound takes to be able to cope successfully with diseases of the liver, kidneys and stomach, and to guarantee a complete return of sound sleep, digestion and a quiet, well regulated nervous system.

Paine's celery compound permanently cures diseases of nervous origin. It makes the sick well again.

The Chinese resumed possession of Port Arthur on December 18th, Gen. Sum, on behalf of China, taking over the station from the Japanese officers.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

☞ NOTICES For Rent or Sale, Lost and Found Wants, and other short miscellaneous advertisements inserted in this Department, in leaded Nonpareil type on first or fourth page, at Publisher's option, for 1 cent per word each insertion; but no advertisement taken for less than 20 cents. Terms, positively cash in advance.

Chickens—Two hundred just received. A lot of nice Pork Hogs at 5 cents per pound delivered anywhere in the city. Also a few dressed Geese, live Turkeys, Eggs, etc., at lowest prices. Neill McKinnon, Wholesale and Retail Grocer, No. 8 South Water street. c21

"Welcome Week" will not come this year, but our extra fine Bananas in abundance, and a full line of fine large red Apples from the West, also, 150 crates of selected N. C Mountain Apples, mixed Nuts, Raisins, Dates, &c., are already here for our Christmas trade. A. S. Rheinard & Co., Wholesale Fruit and Produce Commission Merchants. dec 13 D&W tf

Hello, Sports! Where are you? I am at corner Seventeenth and Market streets, where I can serve you a nice Oyster Roast with all refreshments. Call and see me. J. B Turner. dec 13 1w

Christmas Groceries—Just received one of the best assortments of Christmas and Holiday Groceries in the city, which I can sell at Low Prices. Courteous clerks and drivers will wait on you at any hour in the day. Give me a call, and satisfaction is guaranteed Chas D Jacobs, North Front street, near Mulberry. dec 10 tf

Christmas Photographs—Everybody please come and see my new display of Photographs They are up to date in every respect. New scenery arrived. U. C. Ellis, 114 Market street dec 8 tf

The public is invited to inspect the windows of Mr. A P. Levy, proprietor of the French Cafe, as he has prepared a Thanksgiving Novelty and Treat. All customers are invited to call in and see his display, at 125 Princess street, Wilmington, N. C. nov 28 tf

Telephone 161 For best quality of Wood and Coal delivered any where in the city call up Telephone 161. John H Whiteman & Son. nov 7 1m

The celebrated pale Kyffhauser Beer! Sold only by F. Richter, Wilmington, N C.

Baskets, Vegetable Baskets for the shipment of Peas, Beans, Cucumbers, etc. For sale at Jno. S. McEachern's Grain and Feed Store 211 Market street. c21

Hayden, P. H., has in stock buggies, road Carts and harness of all kinds. Repairing done by skillful workmen on short notice. Opposite new Court House c21

OPEN THINE EARS

To sound argument and listen to the Racket Store cranks talk for a few minutes, and you will be convinced that they are hustlers in the Dry Goods business. We are pushing our Carpet and Rug Department. Hemp Rugs, 36x72 inches, with fringe on the end at 39c each—assorted colors. A heavy twilled, bright, nicely made Rug, 5 feet long, at 45c each; same goods 6 feet long and 3 feet wide at $1 00 each; 65 inches long and 33 inches wide; Smyrna Rugs at $1.00 each. A very fine line of all wool Smyrna Rugs just received at $1.00 1.50 1 98, 2 50, 3 25, 4.50 and 5 00. These Rugs are one-fourth cheaper than we have ever been able to offer the same goods before. Hemp Carpet ⅞ yard wide at 12½c; 1 yard wide stripe, good for churches and halls, heavy, very thick, at 20c a yard; ¾ wool, two ply, heavy Ingrain Carpets, good colors, at 39c a yard; all wool, two ply, at 49c a yard; three pie Carpet at 65 and 85c a yard. A new line of Tapestry just received for stairs and halls at 55c a yard. A nice line of Mcquetts and Body Brussels from 45, 65 75 80 to 99c a yard. We have 100 different samples in Carpets that we sell for a factory. We take the measure of your room, cut the Carpet, fit and make all O. K. We sell you everything your heart may wish. Tapestry, Body Brussels, Mcquetts, Wiltons, Hemps and remnants. Matting and Oilcloth are still on the move. One-yard Oilcloth at 18c a yard; ½ yard wide at 30c a yard. Matting from 10 to 25c a yard. We are at 113 North Front street, opposite the Orton House.

Braddy & Gaylord, Prop.

Wilmington's Big Racket Store.

dec 1 tf

C. C. Nuts and Raisins.

10,000 C. C. Nuts.
100 boxes Raisins.
50 barrels Apples.
150 boxes Cheese.
250 barrels Sugar.
75 boxes mixed Nuts.
300 bags Coffee.
300 boxes Crackers.
4,000 sacks Salt.
1,000 bushels Peanuts and all other goods in my line.

D. L. GORE,
120, 122, 124 North Water St.,
dec 10 tf Wilmington, N. C.

Turpentine Lands

IN BODIES TO SUIT, ON LINE OF RAILroad in Florida. These lands are owned by an estate that has to be closed by January next, and can be bought at from 50 cents to $1.50 per acre. Titles perfect. If you are looking for a location write to me for maps and full particulars.

ARTHUR T. WILLIAMS,
nov, D&W 8w* Jacksonville, Fla.

Holiday Goods!

The rushing season, such as the present, cannot last too long. You must have time to select your Xmas presents and that is not an easy thing to do.

We Can Help You.

We have the largest line of DOLLS we have ever carried. You are unwise if you purchase before examining them.

BISQUE AT		25c.
"	"	50c.
"	"	75c.
"	"	$1 00.
"	"	1 50.
"	"	2 00, worth $3 00.

Bric-a-Brac.

Few houses carry as large a line of Oriental Wares as you will find here. You will find them in all the fantastic shapes peculiar to the Orient.

Handkerchiefs.

Embroidered Handkerchiefs at 25c each.

Embroidered and Plain Handkerchiefs 20c each.

Real Lace Handkerchiefs from $1 00 to $3 00.

Toilet Requisites.

Do You Use Hudnuts?

Chenille Table Covers at 75c each.

Tapestry	"	$2 50
Tapestry	"	3 50
Damask	"	1 25

Kid Gloves.

"Cluze Patent Thumb" $1.
"Foster's" $1 00, $1 25, $1 50.
Centimere's $1 50, $1 60, $1 90.
Foster's Street Glove a specialty.

We would like for you to see those Antique Lace Bed Spreads that we are offering for half value.

BLANKETS AND COMFORTS.

500 Comforts from $1 25 to $7 50.
Blankets of every description.

We have twelve pairs of those Lace Curtains left—they are real nice—and good enough for any person in the city.

A. D. BROWN,

Successor to BROWN & RODDICK

No. 29 North Front St.

dec 8 tf

THE CHICACO.

Just Try It, Which Is All We Ask

We do not claim to sell our goods so much less than others, but we do say that we can and will sell as low as any House that pays full value for their goods.

W. E. SPRINGER & CO.,

Purcell Building,

dec 5 tf Wilmington, N. C.

Seasonable Goods,

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